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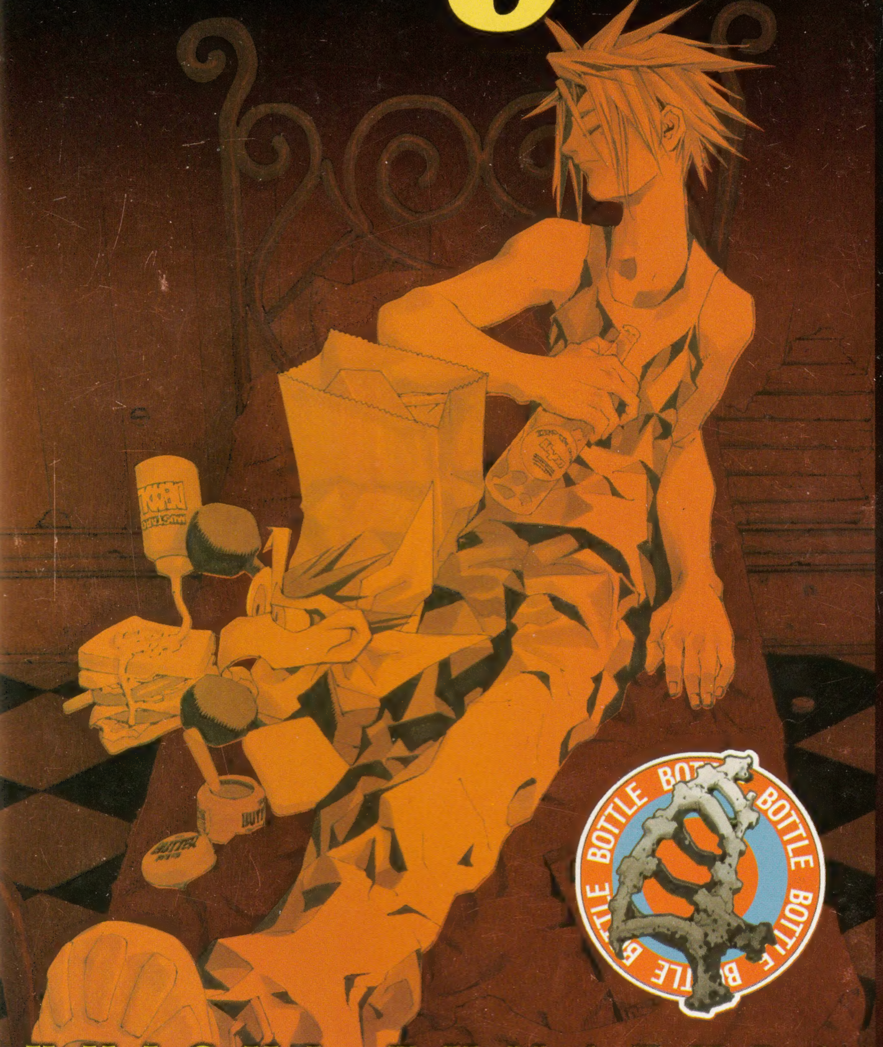
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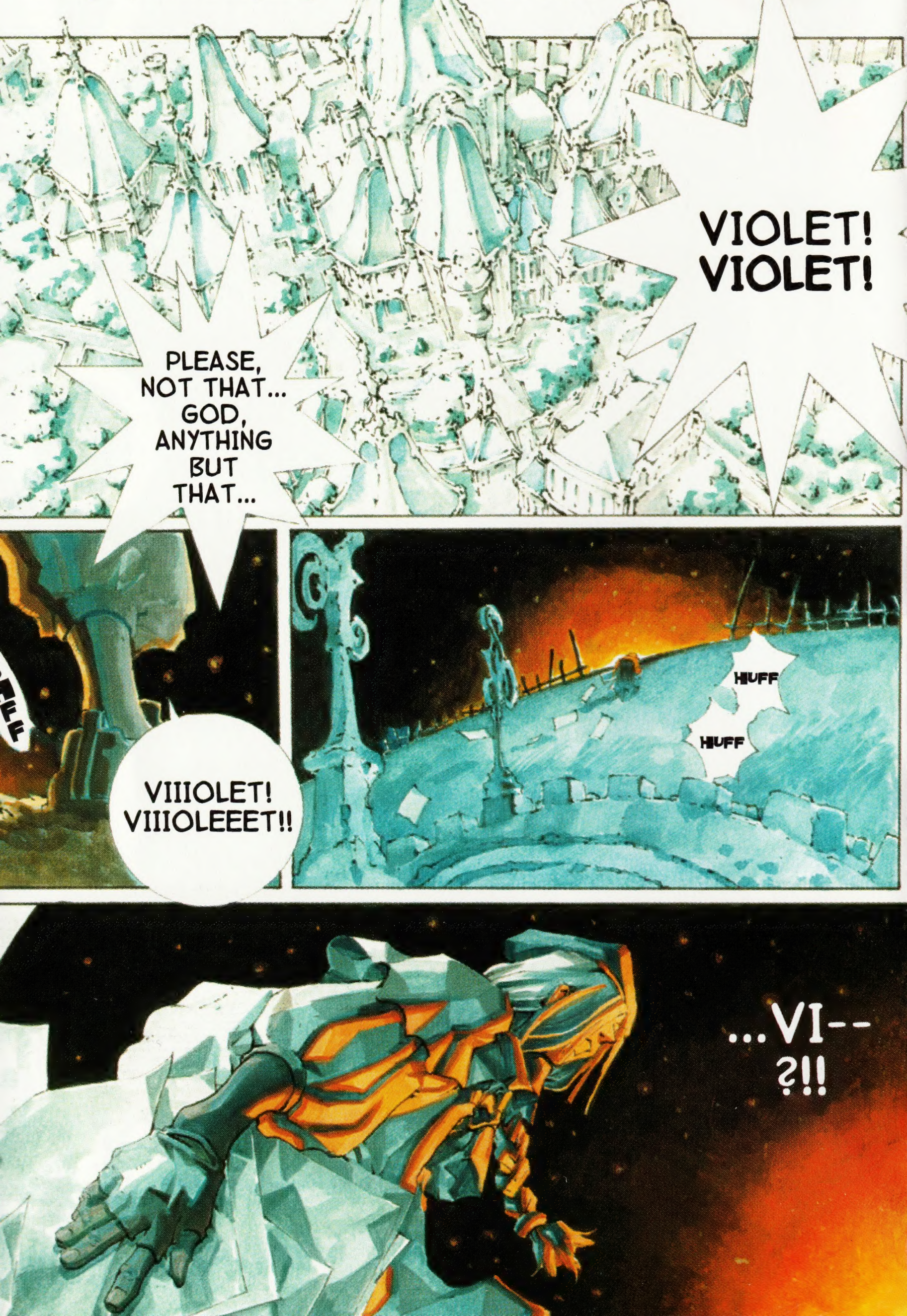
All that glitters...

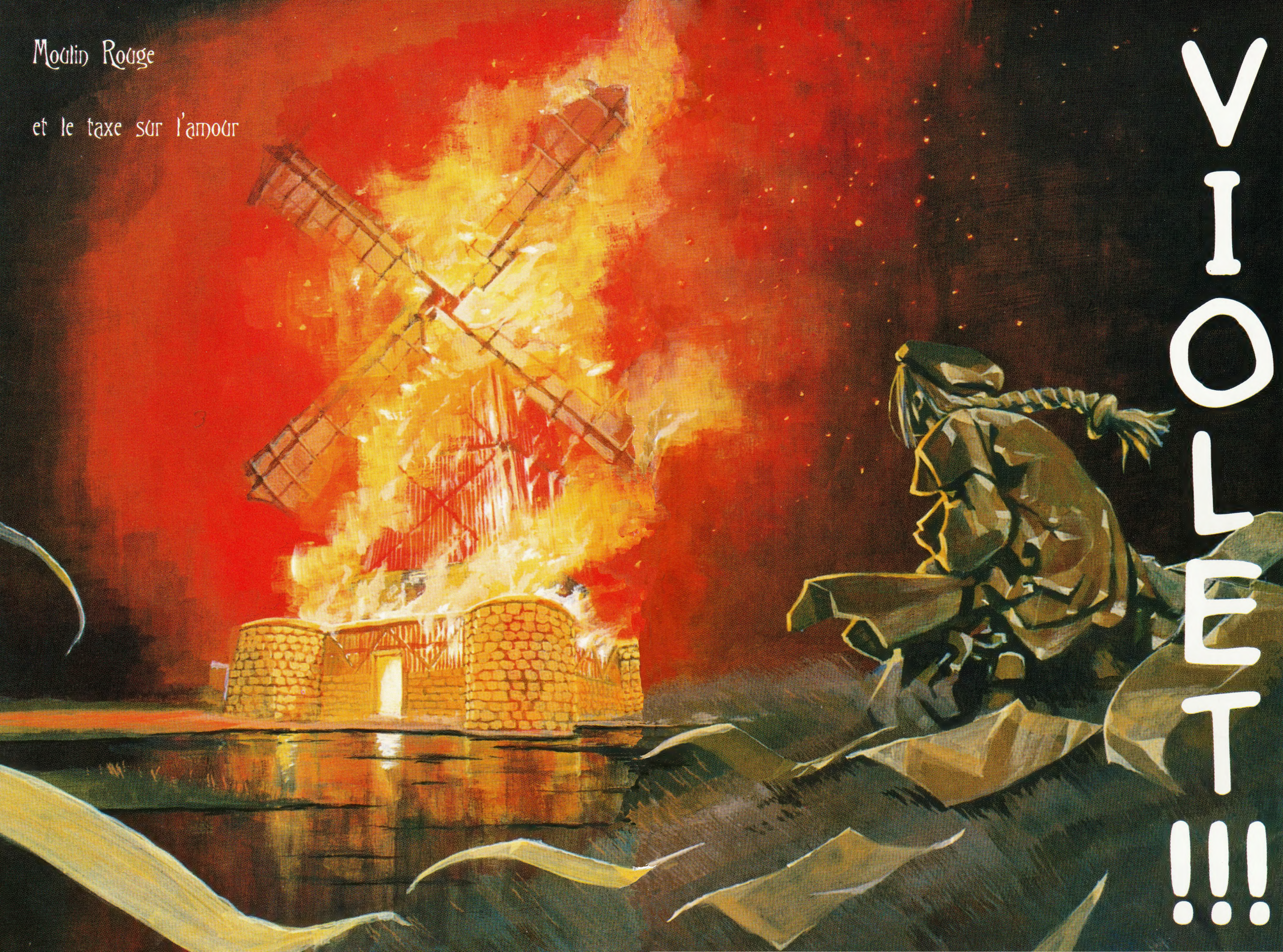
Even the stars

All things precious...

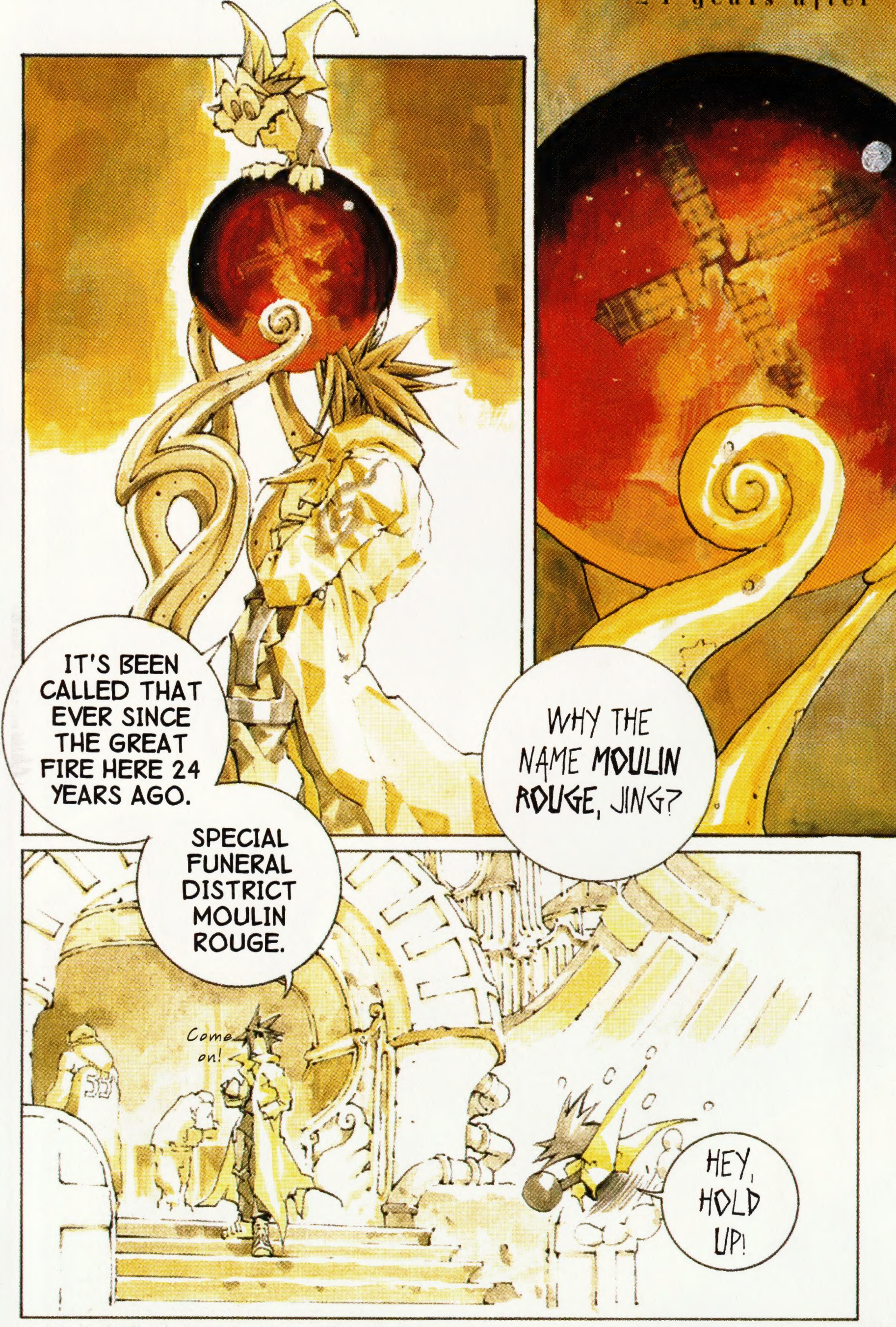
Even your life

The King of Bandits
Can steal it all
In the blink of an eye


VIOLET! VIOLET!
PLEASE, NOT THAT... GOD, ANYTHING BUT THAT...
HUFF
HUFF
VIIIOLET! VIIIOLEEET!!
...VI-- ?!!


Moulin Rouge
et le taxe sur l'amour
VIOLET!!!

18th SHOT - Love Tax Evader


24 years after
WHY THE NAME **MOULIN ROUGE**, JING?
IT'S BEEN CALLED THAT EVER SINCE THE GREAT FIRE HERE 24 YEARS AGO.
SPECIAL FUNERAL DISTRICT MOULIN ROUGE.
HEY, HOLD UP!
Come on!

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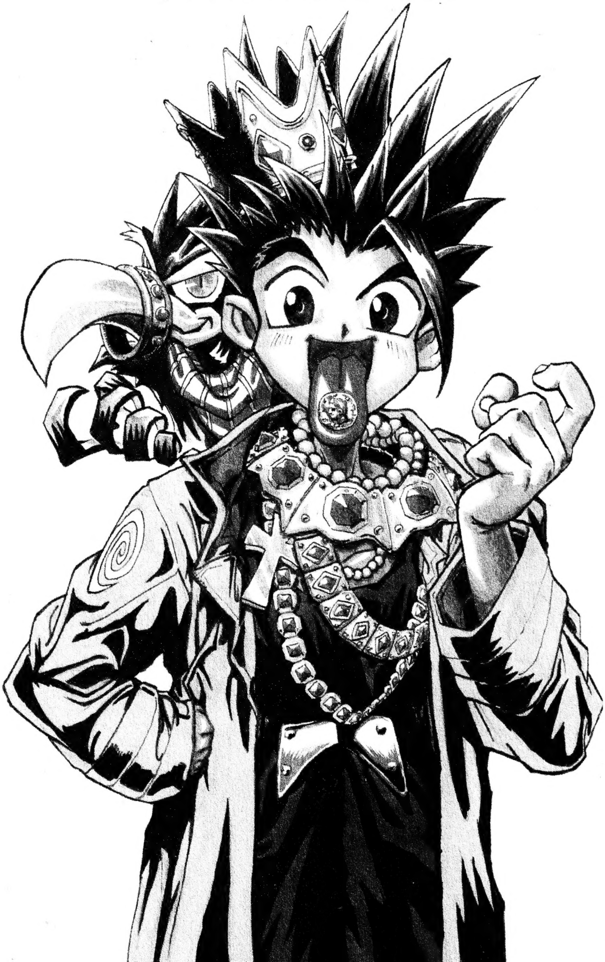
Once upon a midnight dreary, a thief named Jing was weak and weary.
Many strange and forgotten lands he did traverse and did explore.
His companion was a bird, an odd one name of Kir
Who possessed a strange vocation, a less than honest occupation.
"Wake up, Jing" Kir muttered, "all around is loot galore!"

Thus this ebony bird's wiling, changed Jing's sadness into willing
As he set about to do the thing he truly did adore.
So the albatross sat proudly, on Jing's placid bust sang loudly
While his beady eyes explored the treasure stacked upon the floor.
One more thing that Kir did utter, his feathers all a greedy flutter
And his voice commenced a terrible dull roar,
Quoth the albatross, "Let's steal some more!"



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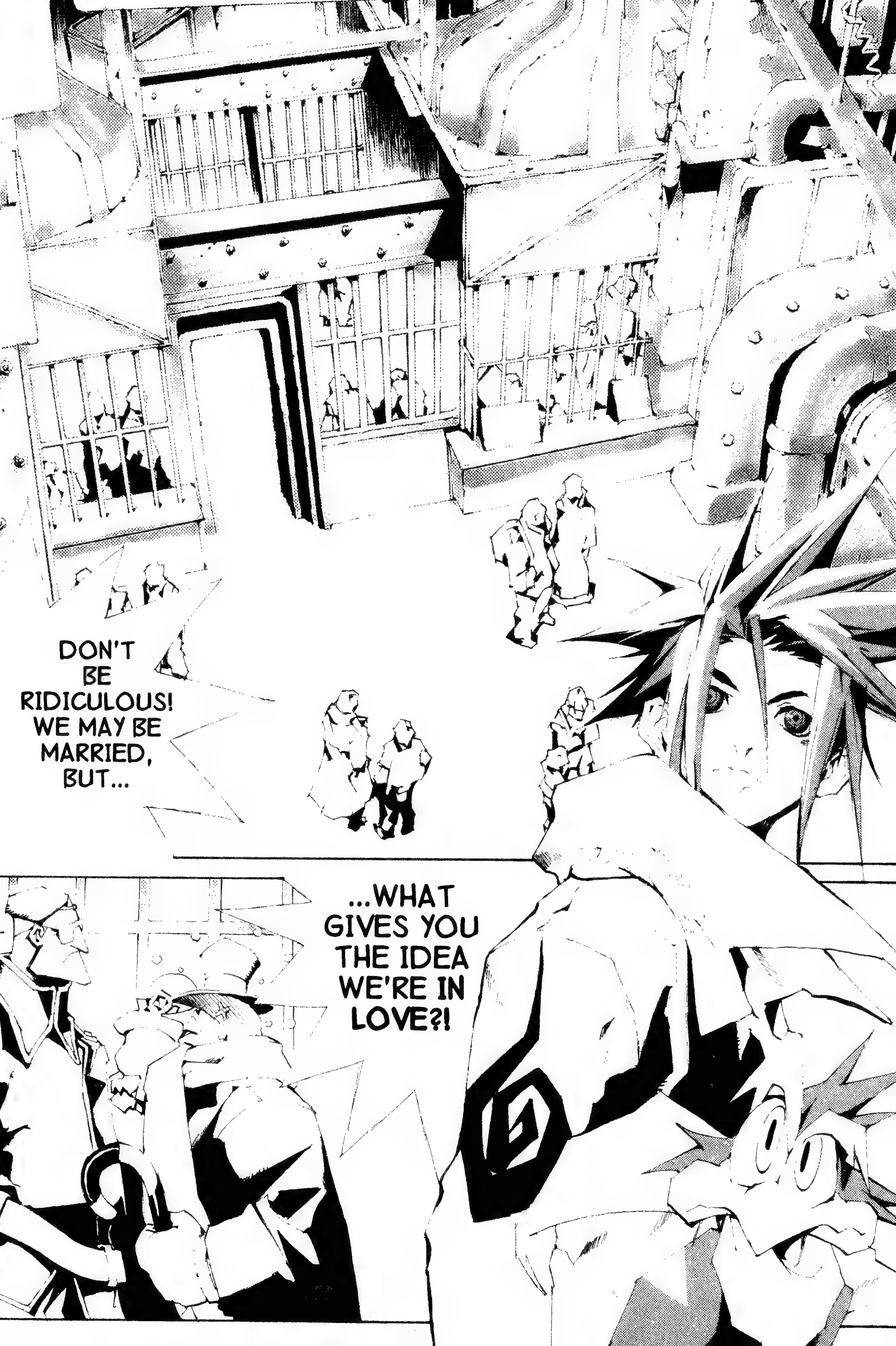
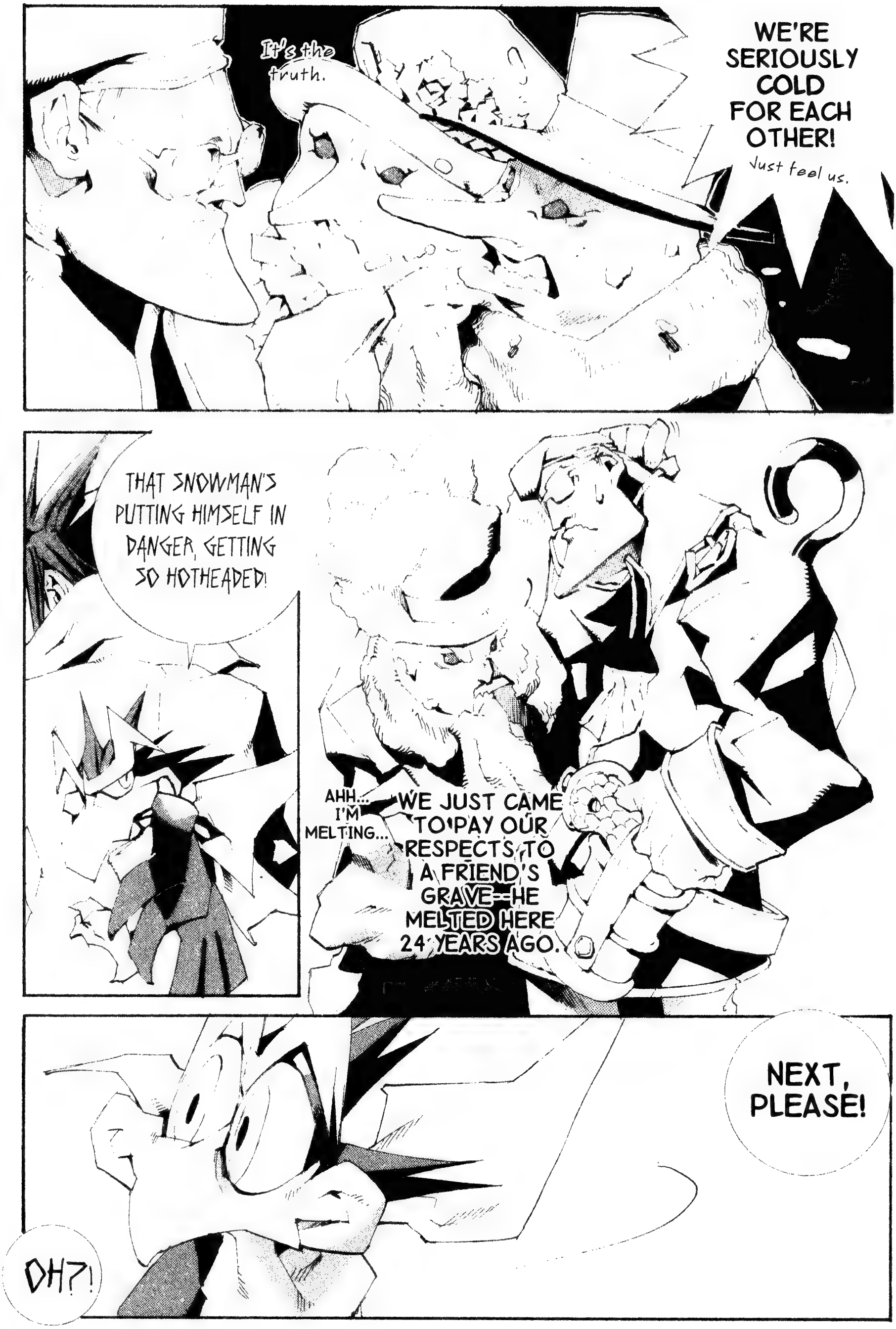
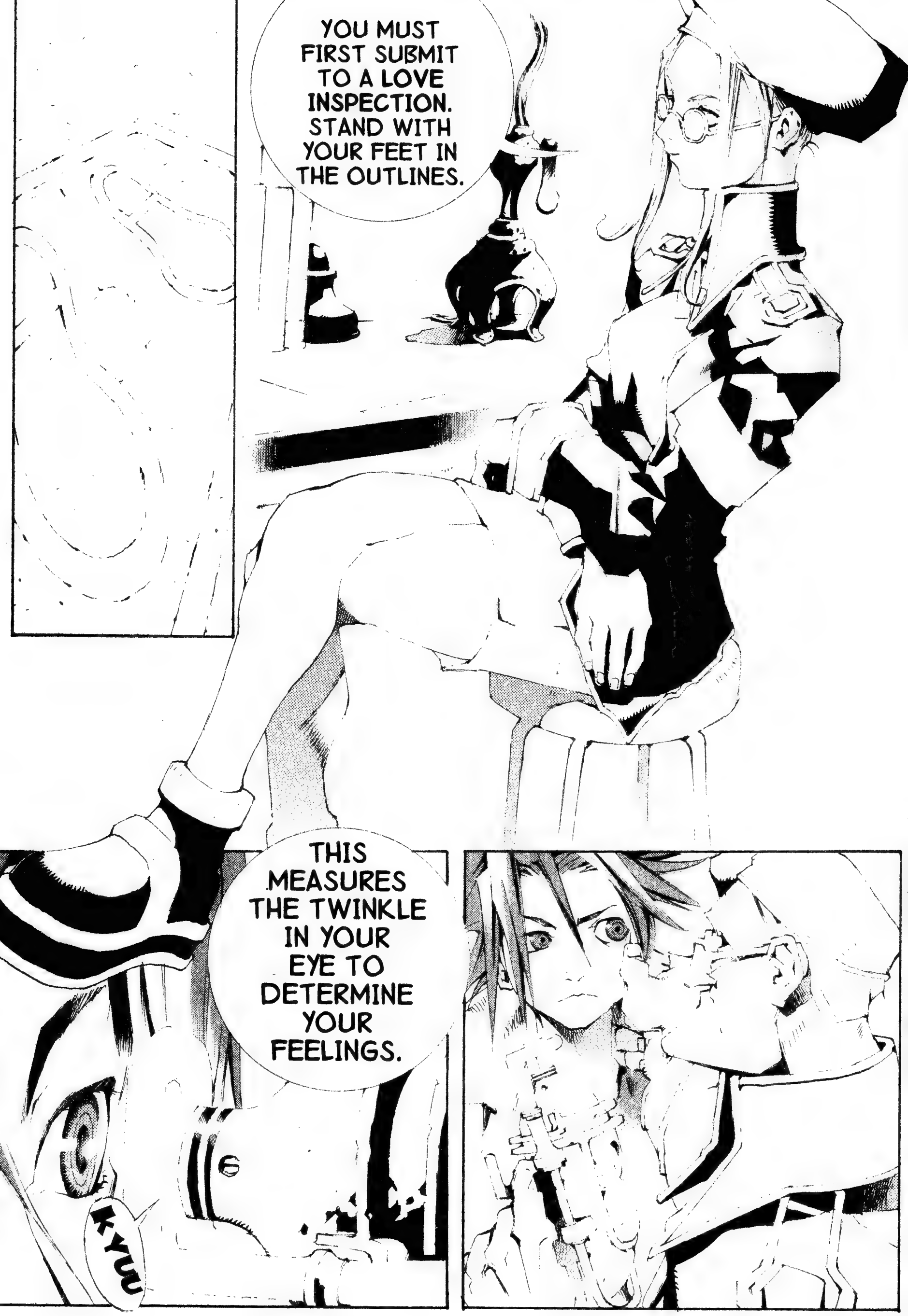
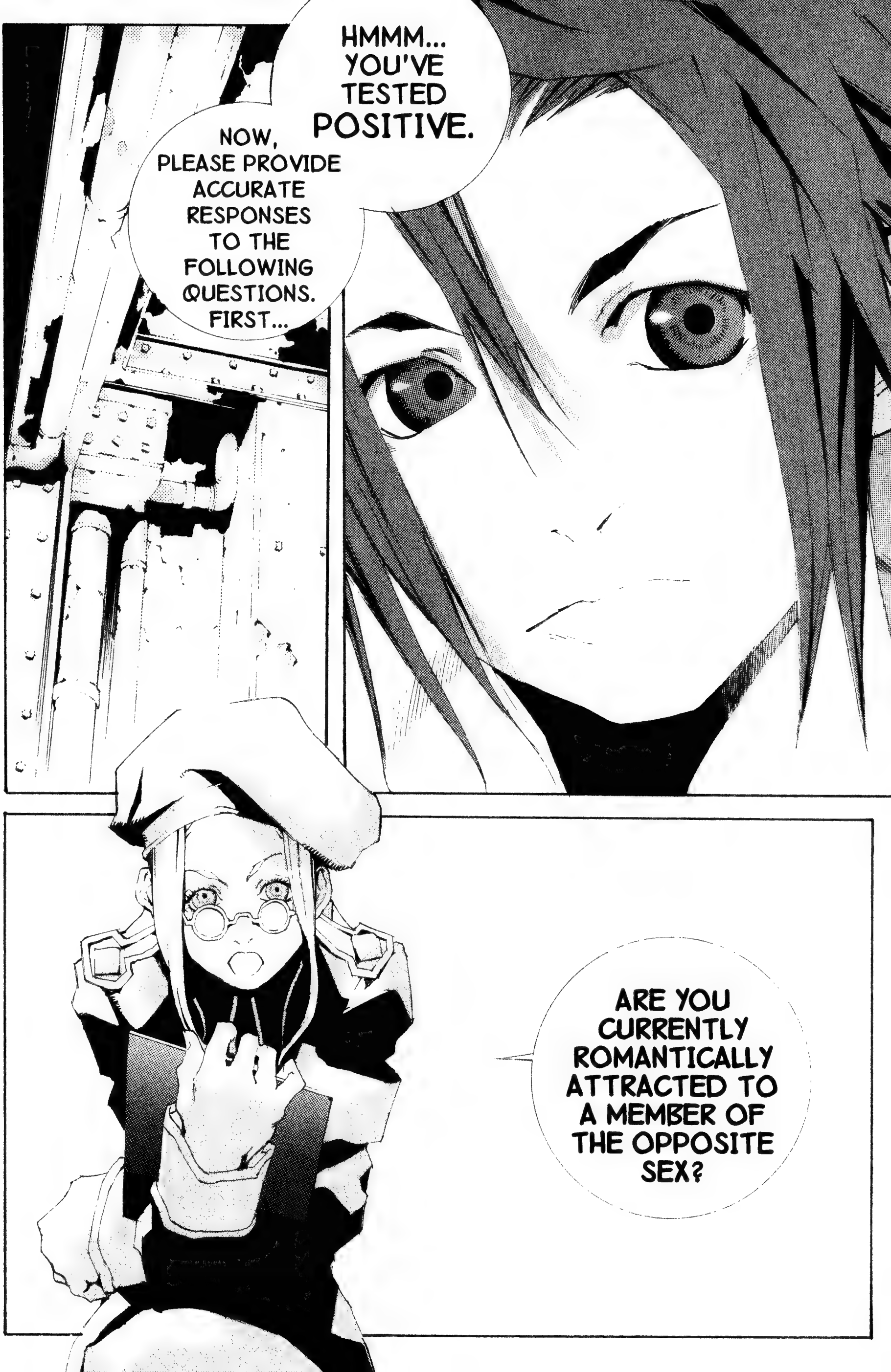
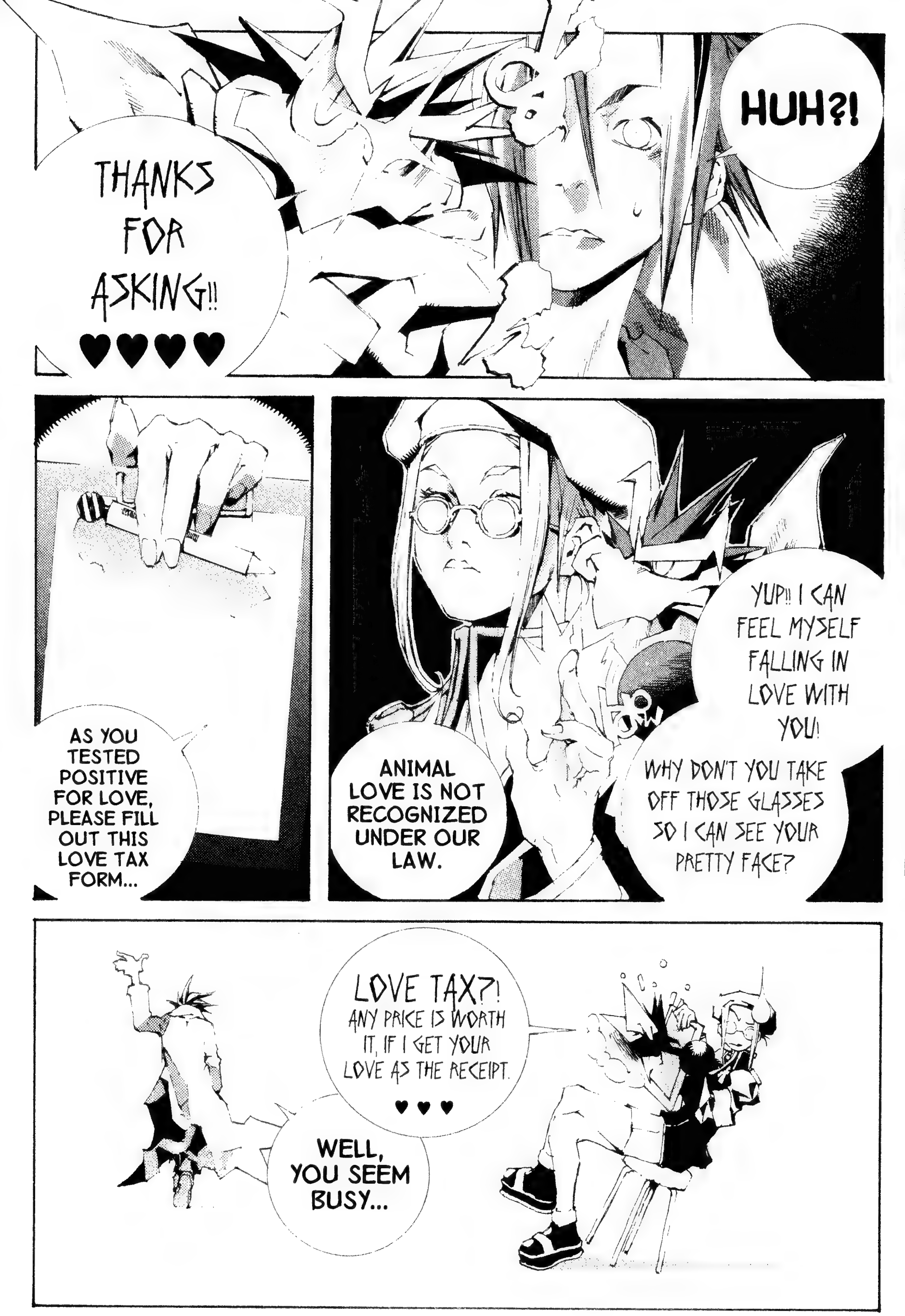
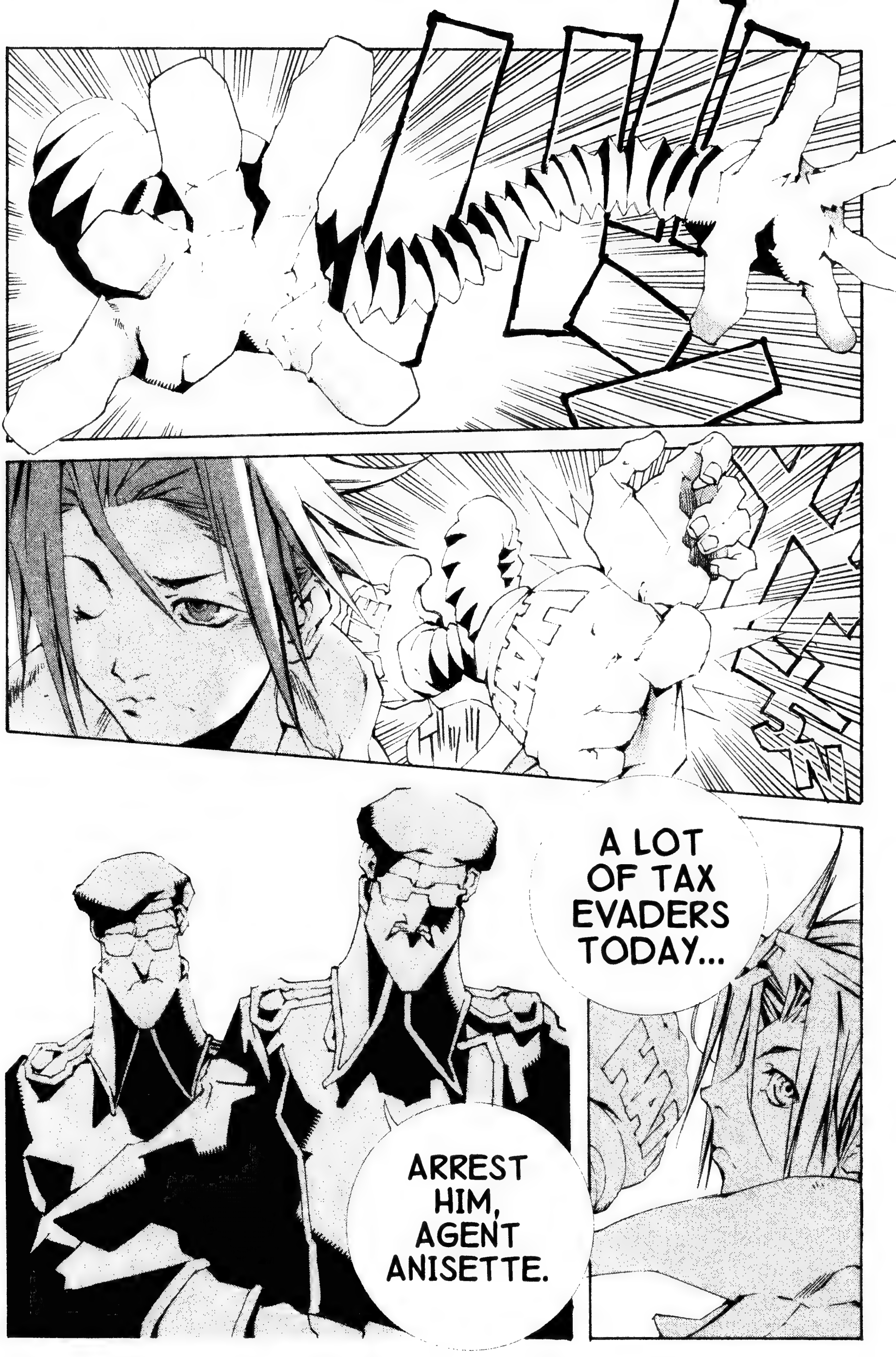

DON'T BE RIDICULOUS! WE MAY BE MARRIED, BUT...
...WHAT GIVES YOU THE IDEA WE'RE IN LOVE?!

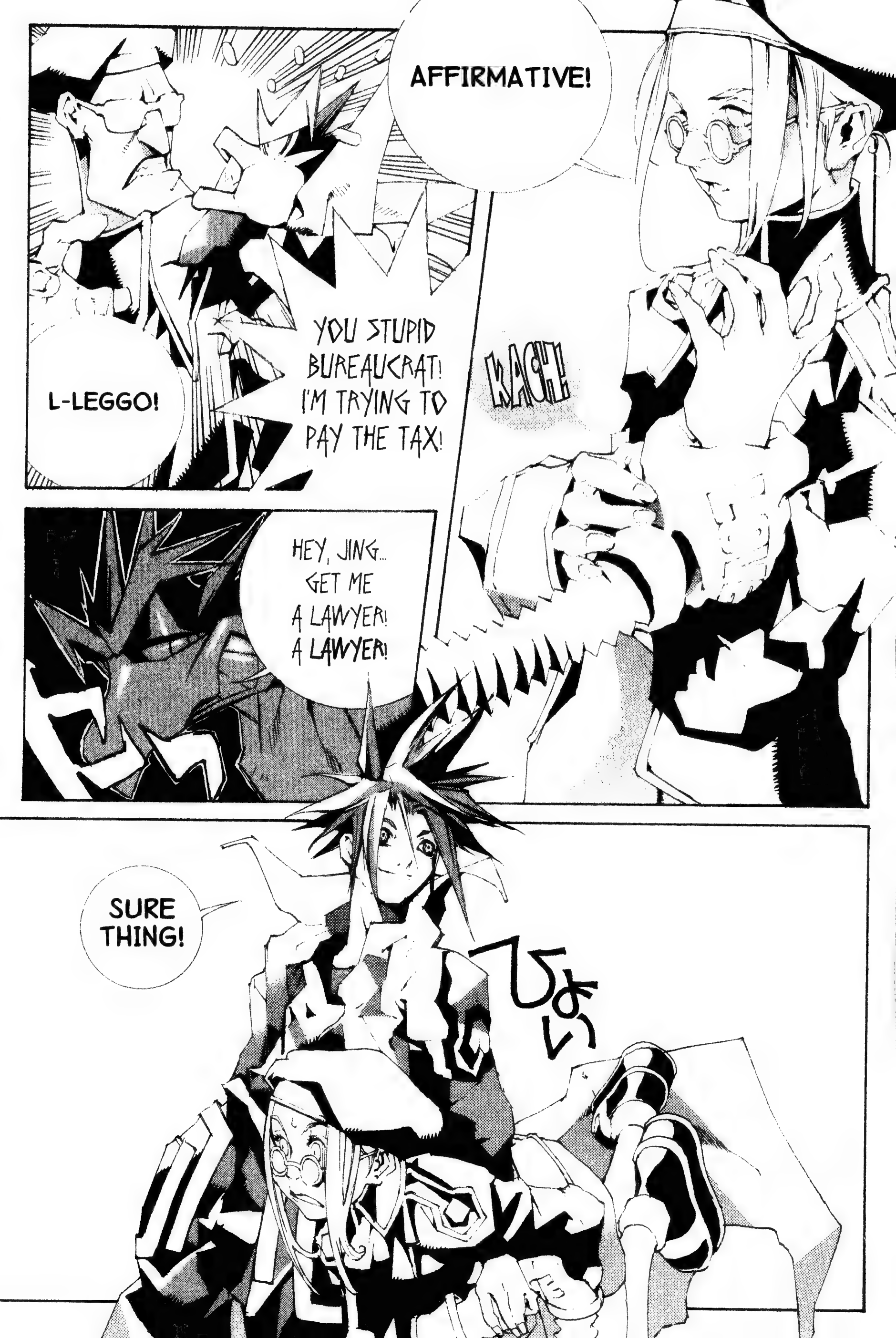

WE'RE SERIOUSLY COLD FOR EACH OTHER!
Just feel us.
It's the truth.
WE JUST CAME TO PAY OUR RESPECTS TO A FRIEND'S GRAVE--HE MELTED HERE 24 YEARS AGO.
AHH... I'M MELTING...
THAT SNOWMAN'S PUTTING HIMSELF IN DANGER, GETTING SO HOTHEADED!
NEXT, PLEASE!
OH?!


YOU MUST FIRST SUBMIT TO A LOVE INSPECTION. STAND WITH YOUR FEET IN THE OUTLINES.
THIS MEASURES THE TWINKLE IN YOUR EYE TO DETERMINE YOUR FEELINGS.
KYUU


HMMM... YOU'VE TESTED POSITIVE.
NOW, PLEASE PROVIDE ACCURATE RESPONSES TO THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS. FIRST...
ARE YOU CURRENTLY ROMANTICALLY ATTRACTED TO A MEMBER OF THE OPPOSITE SEX?


HUH?!
THANKS FOR ASKING!! ♥♥♥♥
YUP!! I CAN FEEL MYSELF FALLING IN LOVE WITH YOU!
WHY DON'T YOU TAKE OFF THOSE GLASSES SO I CAN SEE YOUR PRETTY FACE?
ANIMAL LOVE IS NOT RECOGNIZED UNDER OUR LAW.
AS YOU TESTED POSITIVE FOR LOVE, PLEASE FILL OUT THIS LOVE TAX FORM...
LOVE TAX?! ANY PRICE IS WORTH IT, IF I GET YOUR LOVE AS THE RECEIPT. ♥♥♥
WELL, YOU SEEM BUSY...


A LOT OF TAX EVADERS TODAY...
ARREST HIM, AGENT ANISETTE.


AFFIRMATIVE!
KACH!
YOU STUPID BUREAUCRAT! I'M TRYING TO PAY THE TAX!
L-LEGGO!
HEY, JING... GET ME A LAWYER! A LAWYER!
SURE THING!
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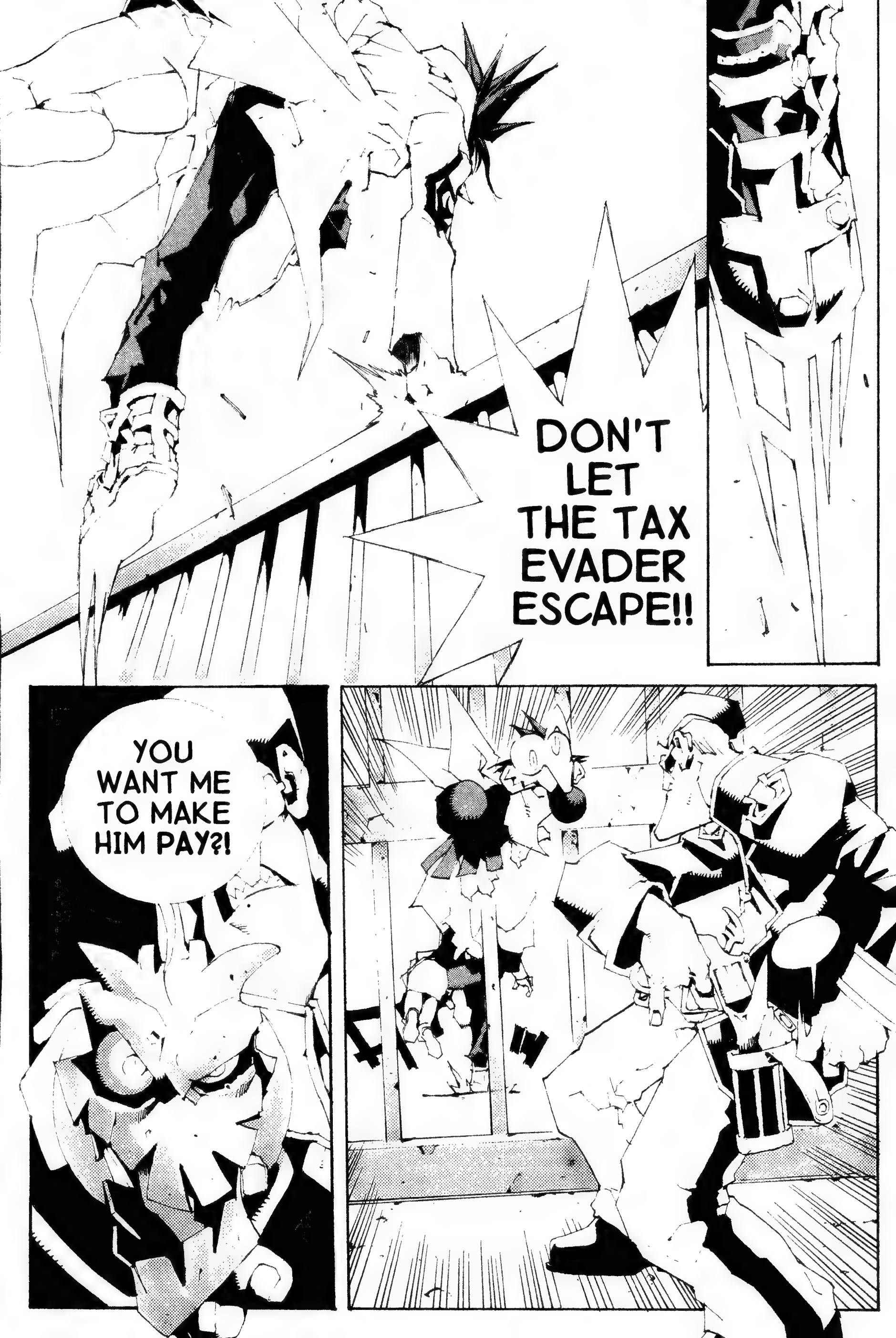
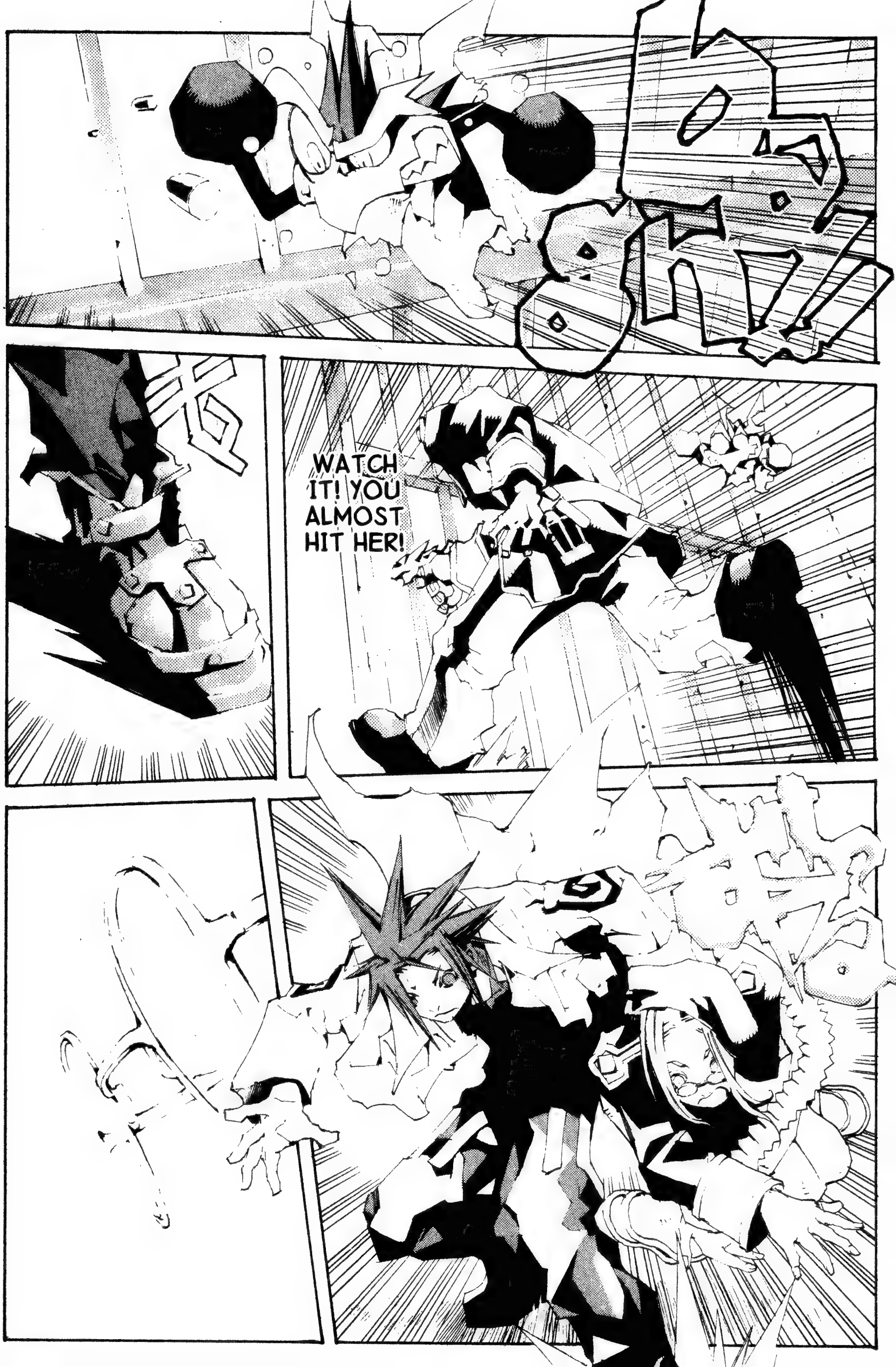
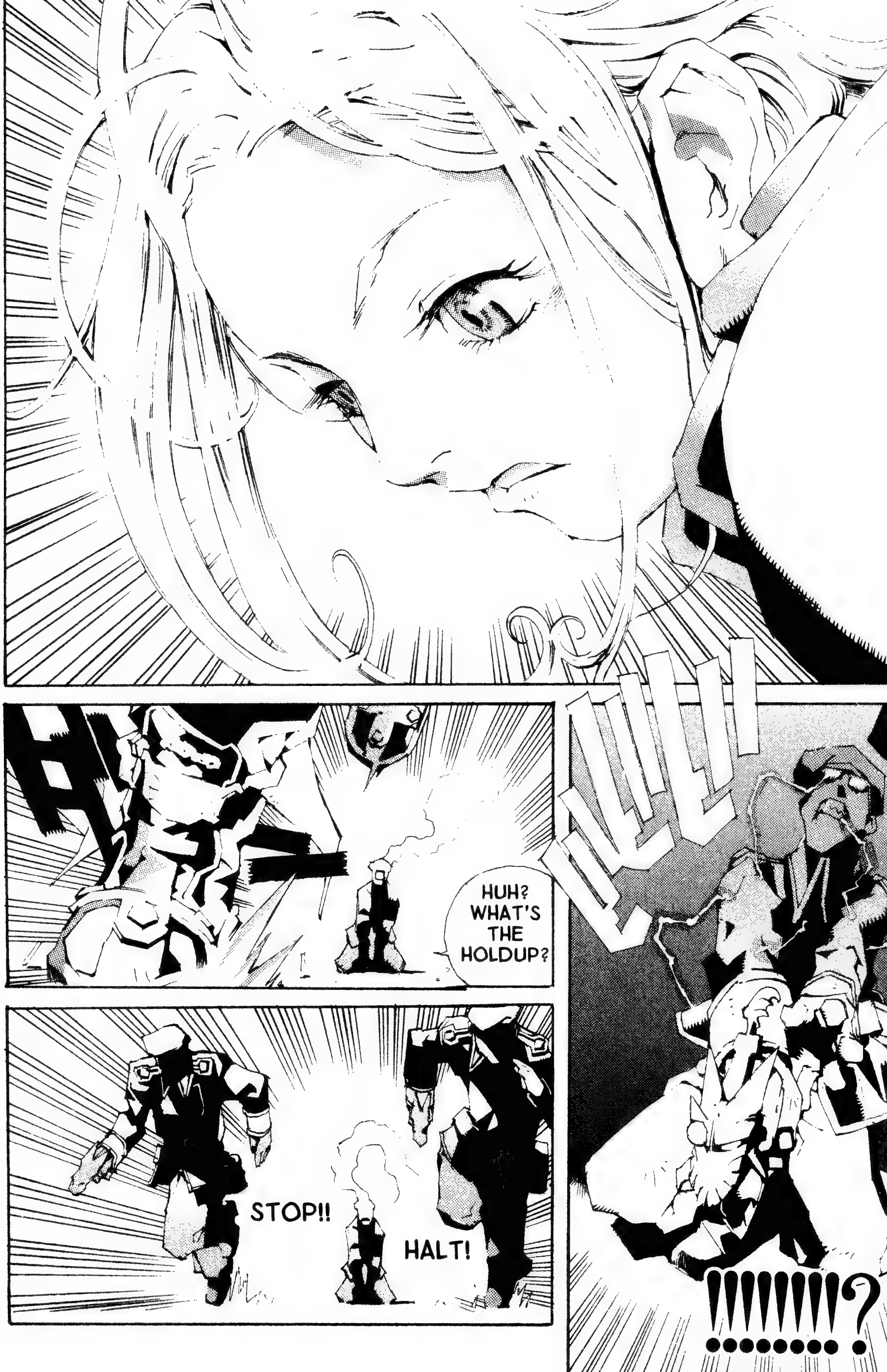

DON'T LET THE TAX EVADER ESCAPE!!
YOU WANT ME TO MAKE HIM PAY?!


WATCH IT! YOU ALMOST HIT HER!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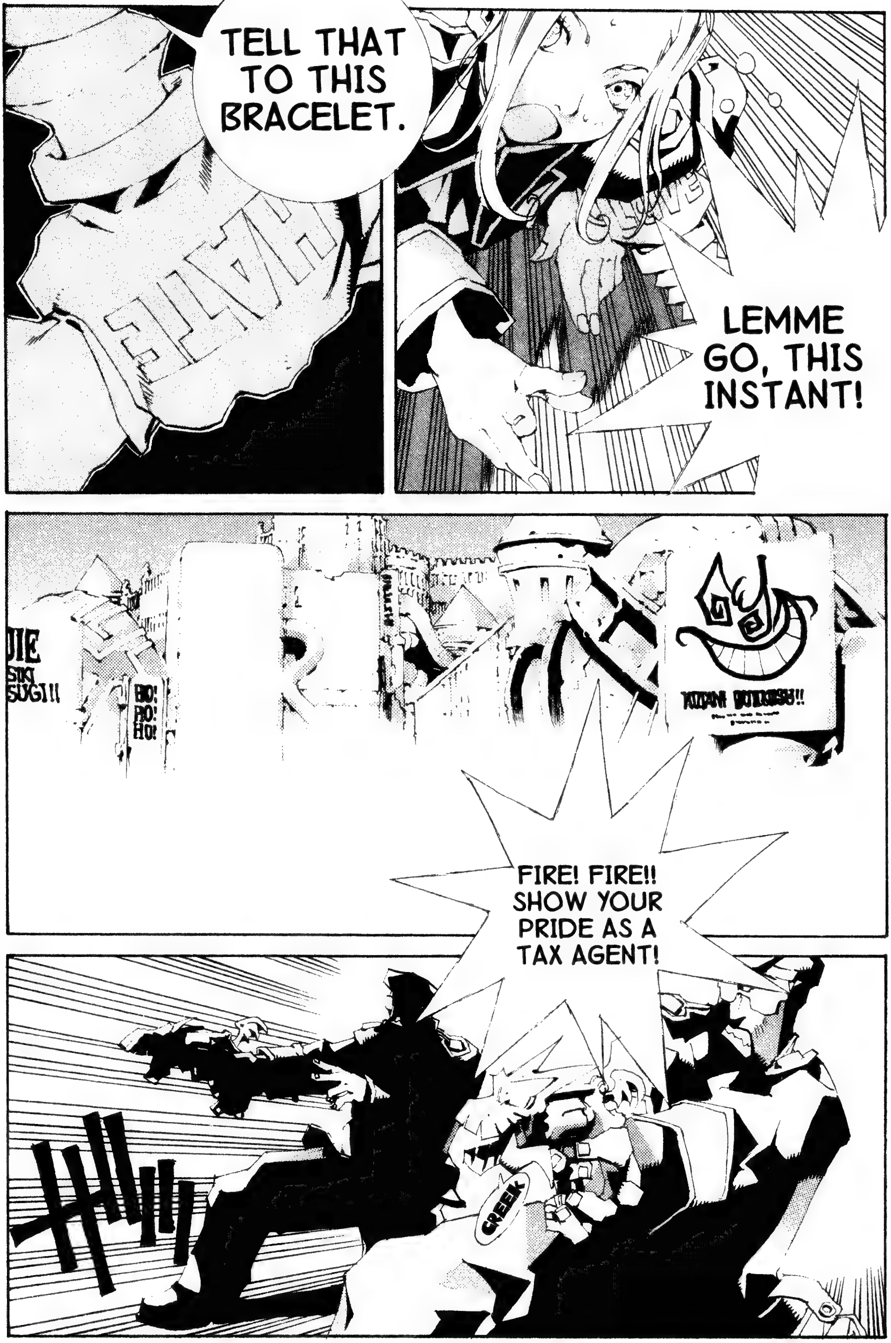
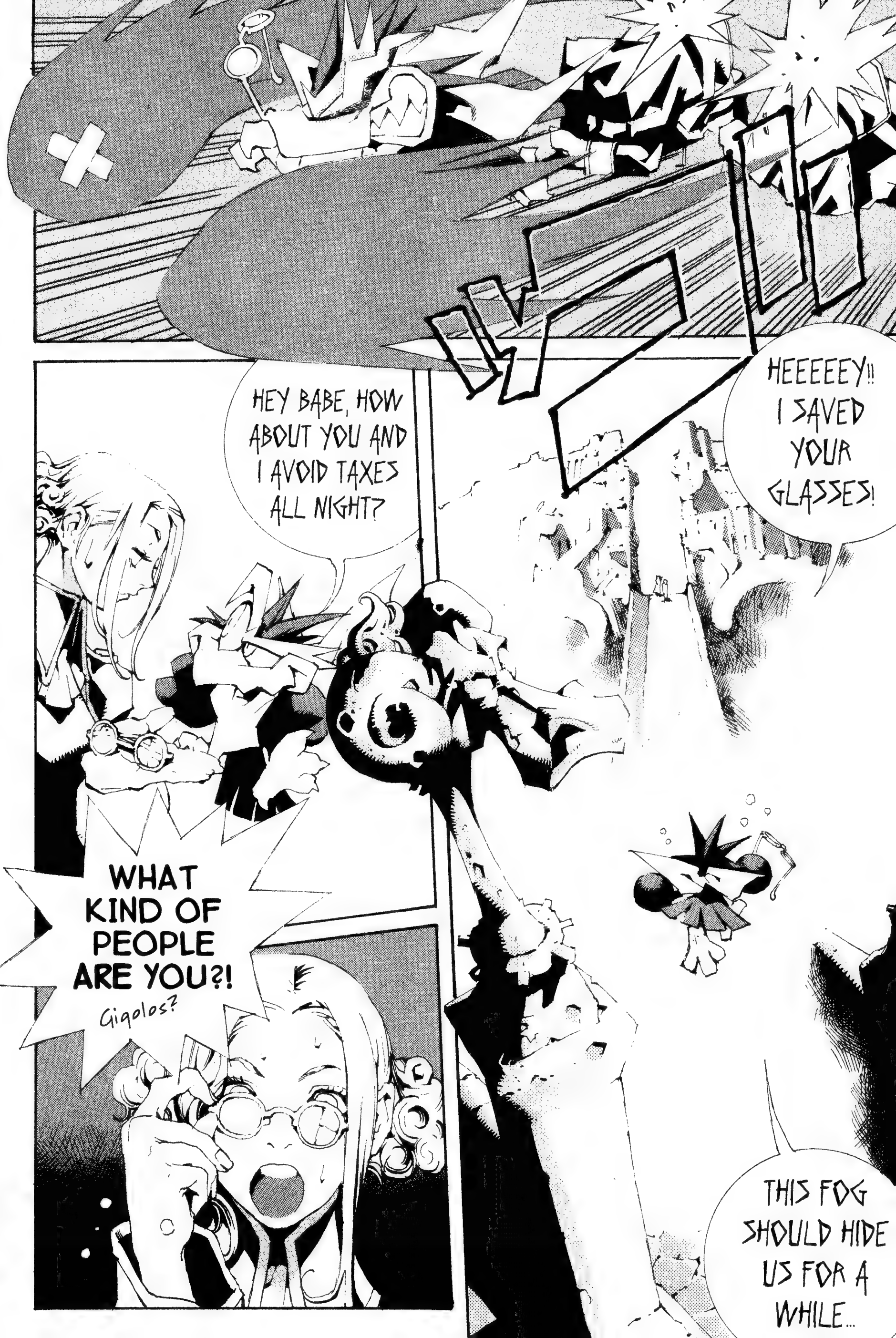
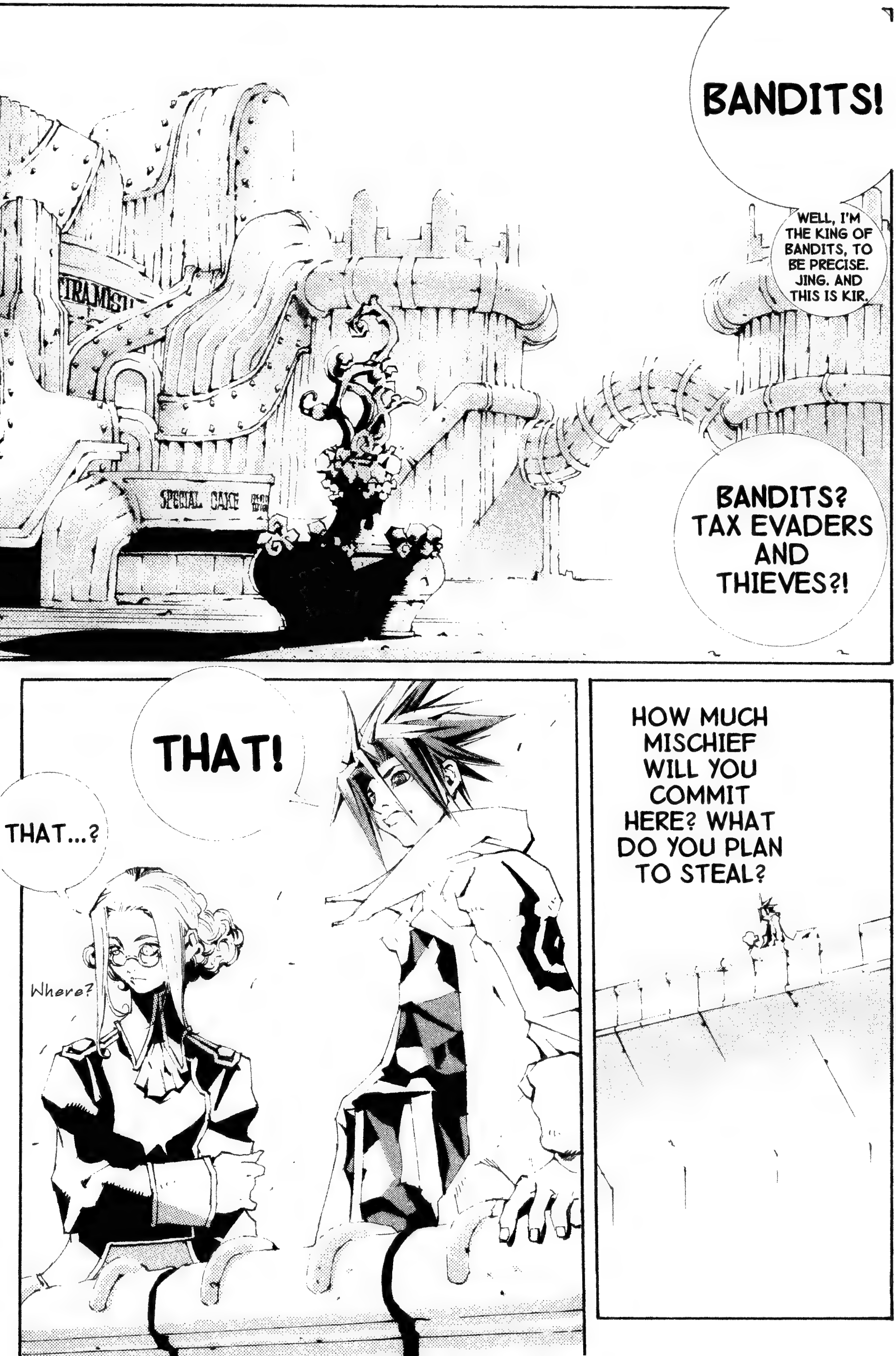
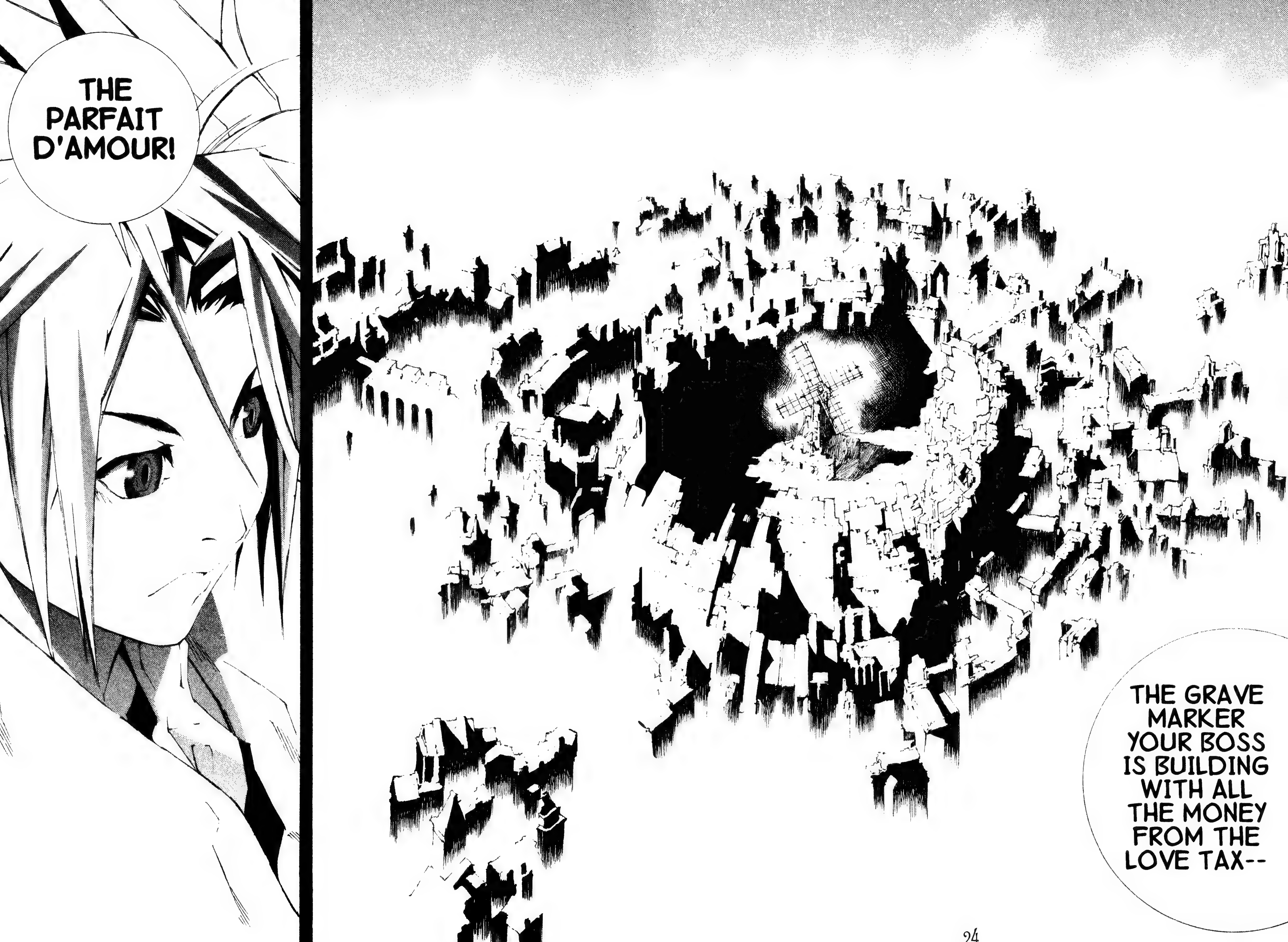
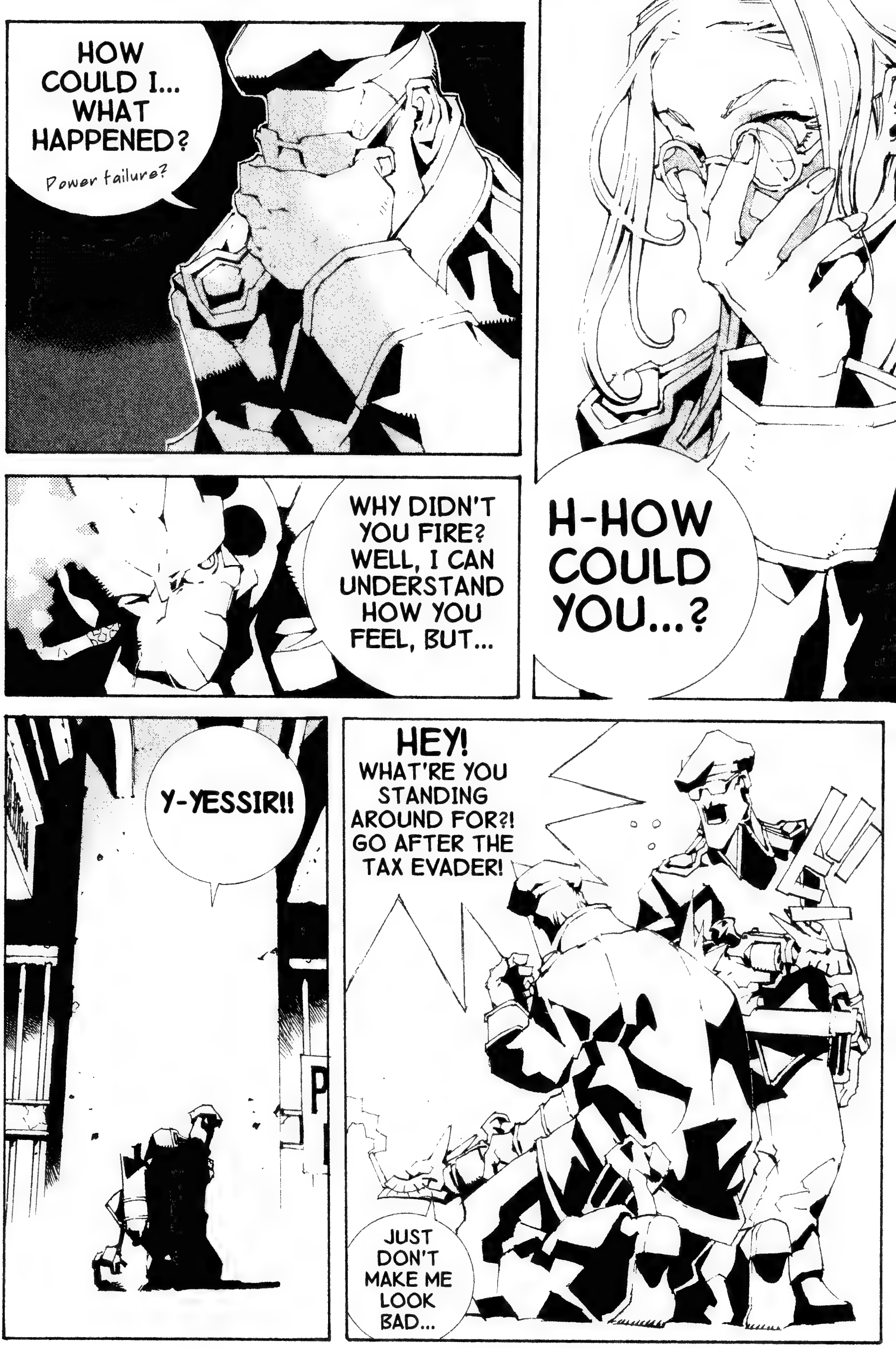
HUH? WHAT'S THE HOLDUP?
HALT!
STOP!!


LEMME GO, THIS INSTANT!
TELL THAT TO THIS BRACELET.
HO! HO! HO!
FIRE! FIRE!! SHOW YOUR PRIDE AS A TAX AGENT!
CREEK


HEEEEEY!! I SAVED YOUR GLASSES!
HEY BABE, HOW ABOUT YOU AND I AVOID TAXES ALL NIGHT?
WHAT KIND OF PEOPLE ARE YOU?!
Gigolos?
THIS FOG SHOULD HIDE US FOR A WHILE...


BANDITS!
WELL, I'M THE KING OF BANDITS, TO BE PRECISE. JING. AND THIS IS KIR.
TIRAMISU
SPECIAL CAKE
BANDITS? TAX EVADERS AND THIEVES?!
HOW MUCH MISCHIEF WILL YOU COMMIT HERE? WHAT DO YOU PLAN TO STEAL?
THAT!
THAT...?
Where?


THE GRAVE MARKER YOUR BOSS IS BUILDING WITH ALL THE MONEY FROM THE LOVE TAX--
THE PARFAIT D'AMOUR!


H-HOW COULD YOU...?
HOW COULD I... WHAT HAPPENED?
Power failure?
WHY DIDN'T YOU FIRE? WELL, I CAN UNDERSTAND HOW YOU FEEL, BUT...
HEY! WHAT'RE YOU STANDING AROUND FOR?! GO AFTER THE TAX EVADER!
JUST DON'T MAKE ME LOOK BAD...
Y-YESSIR!!
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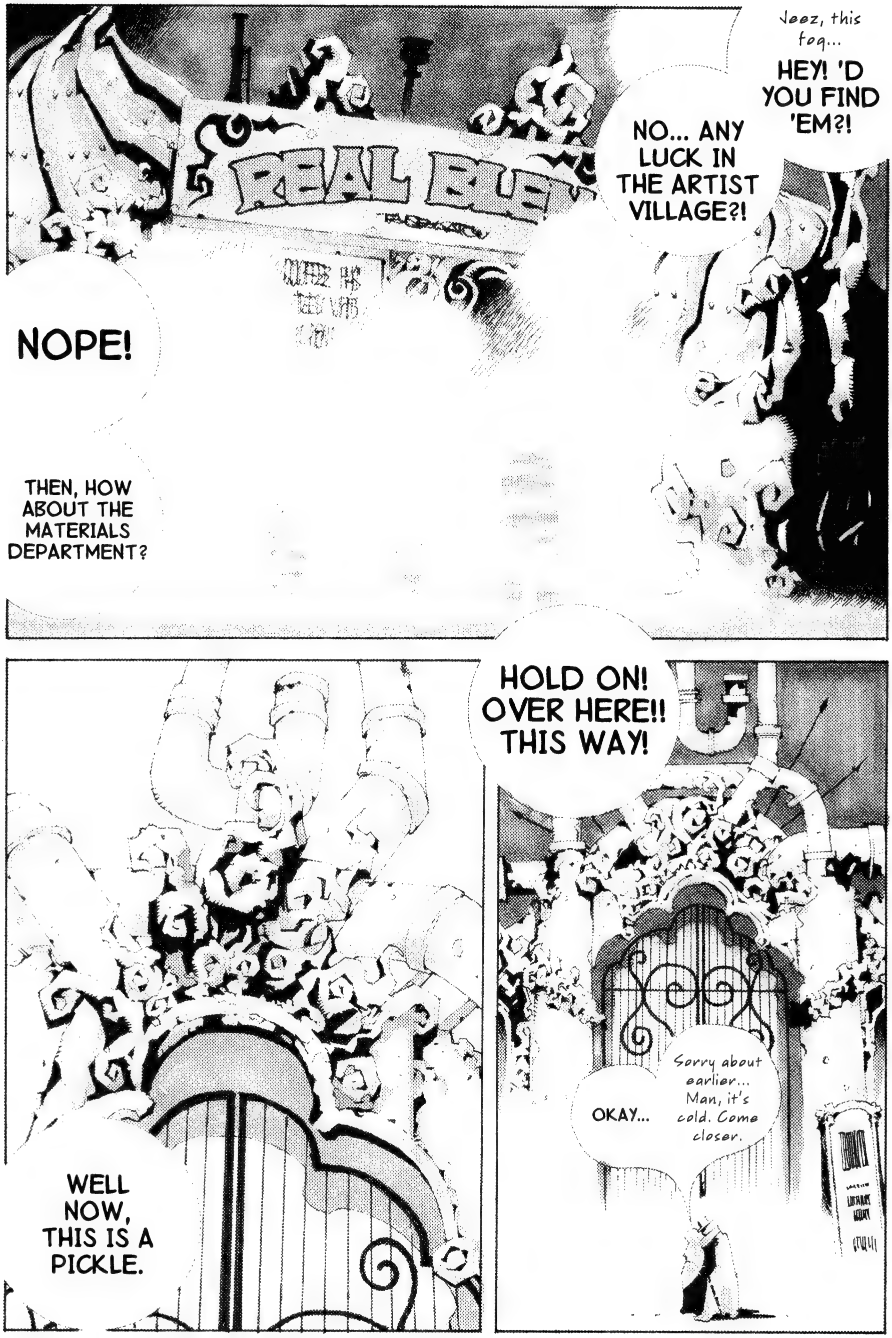
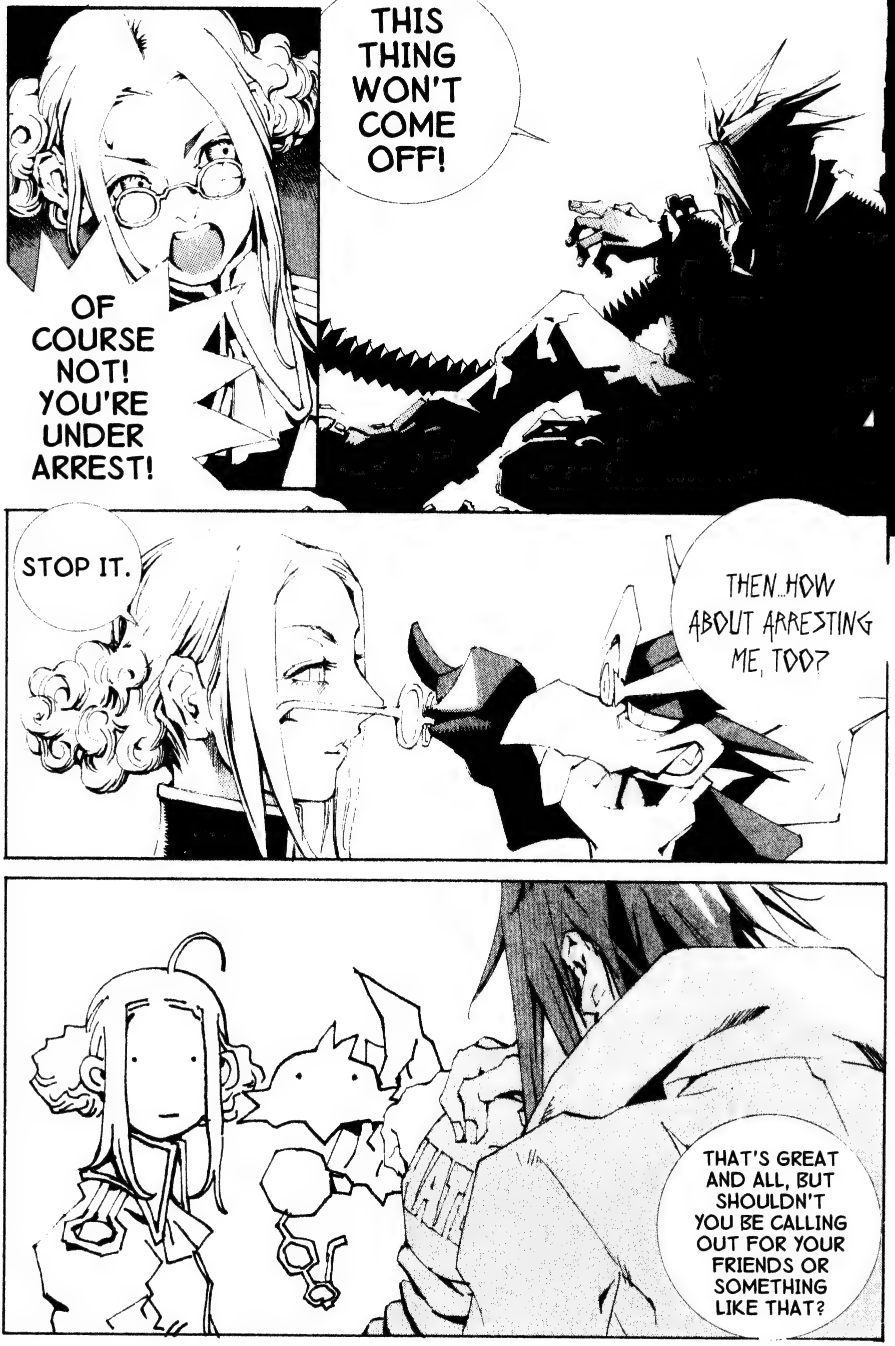
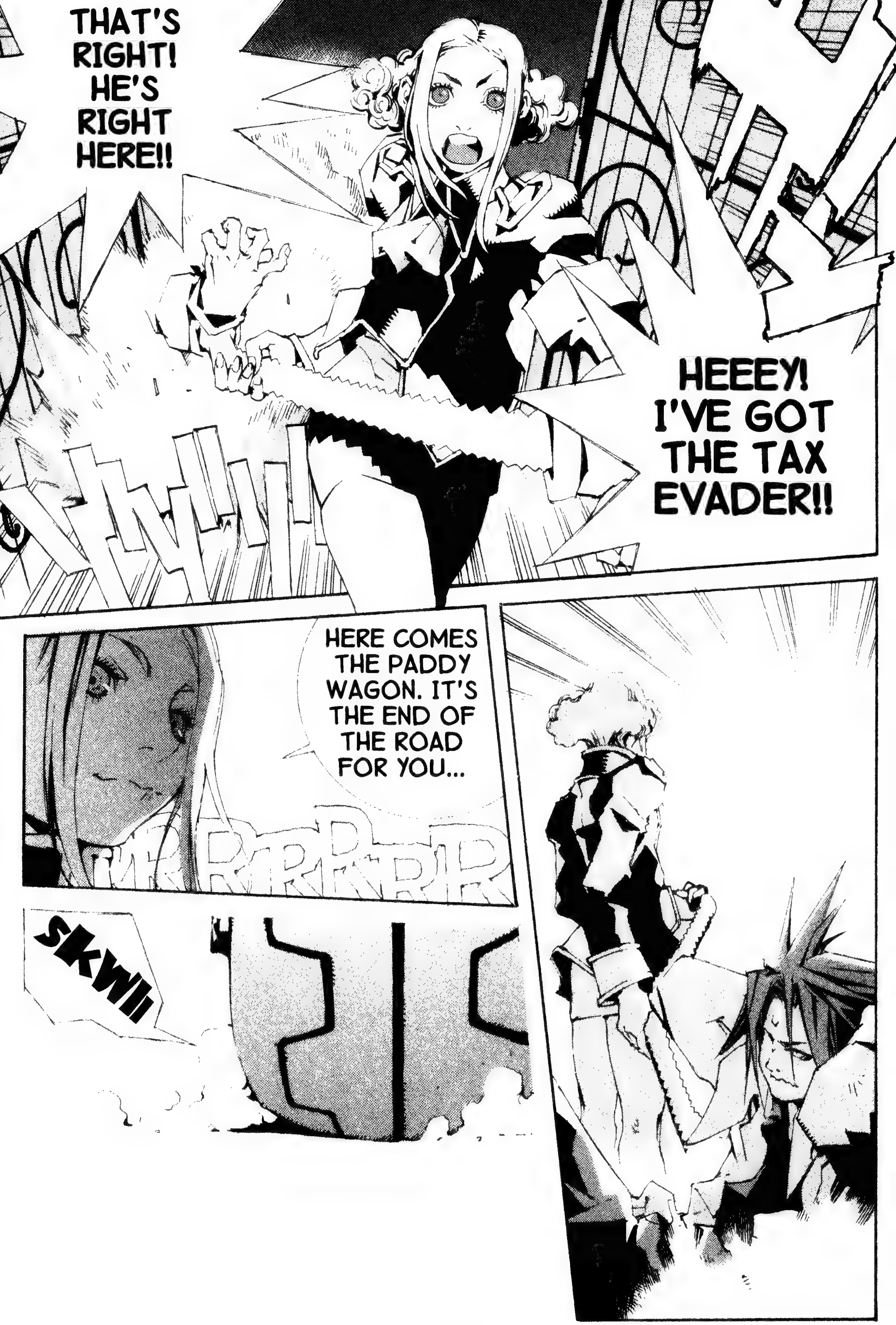
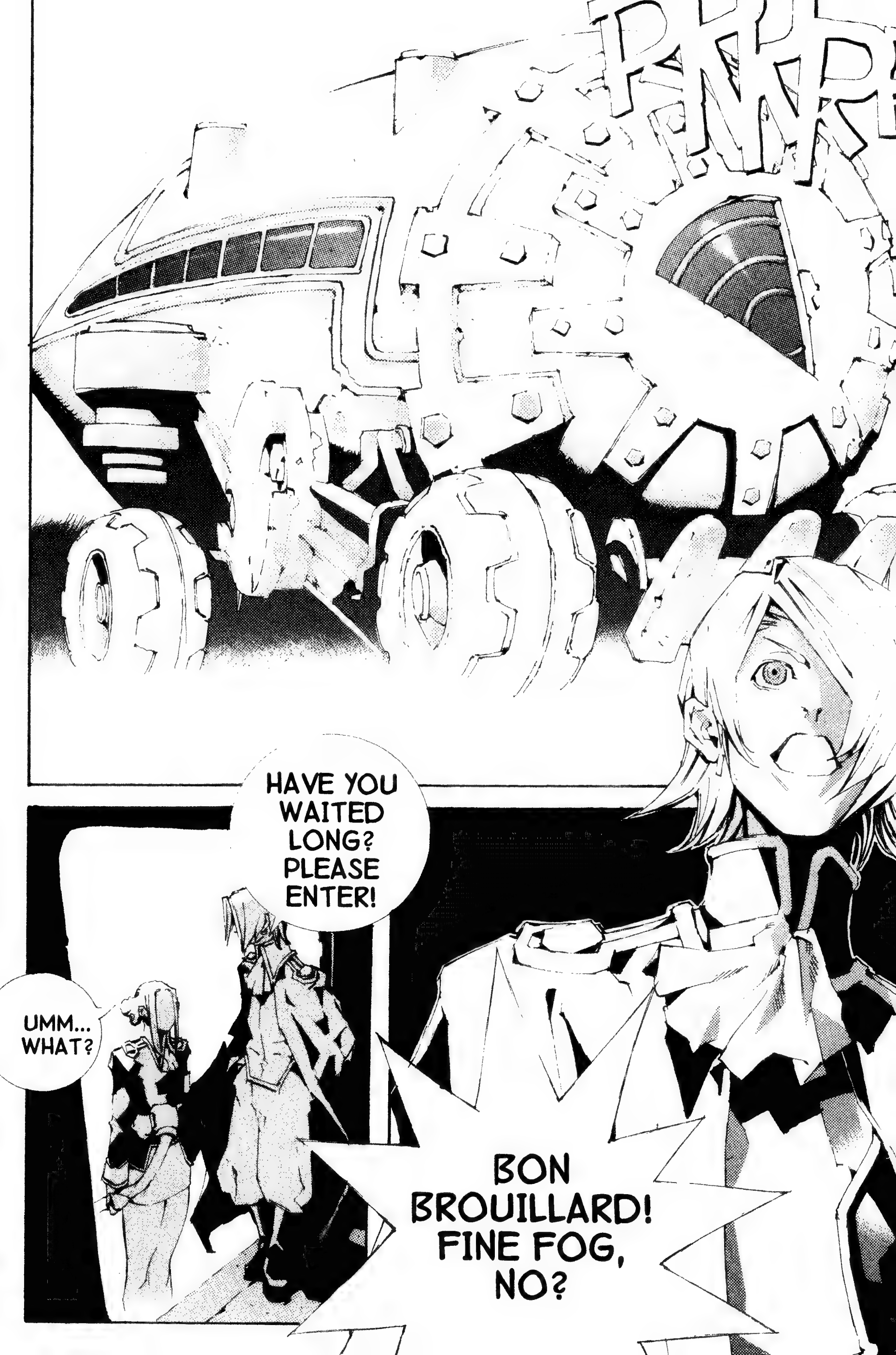
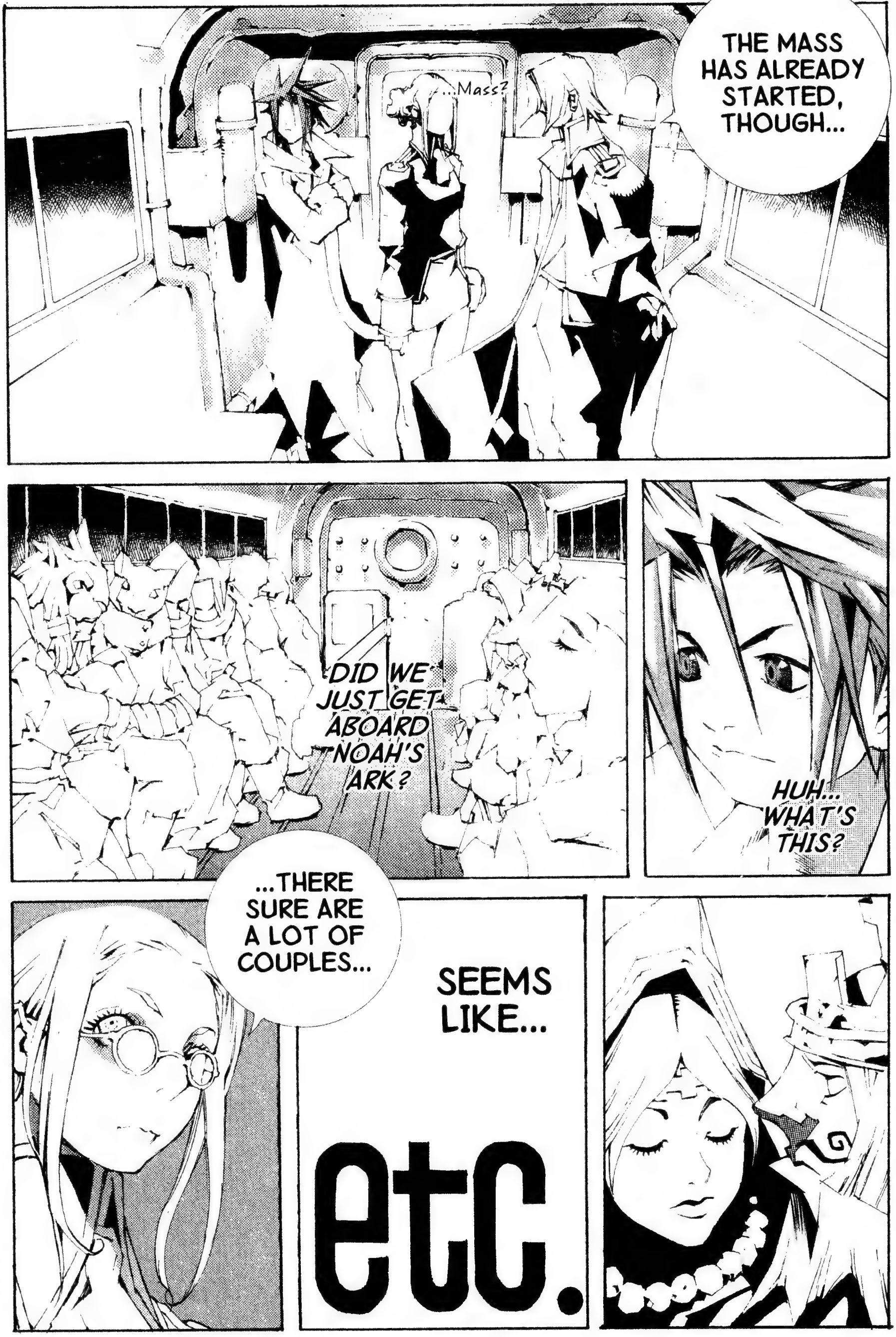
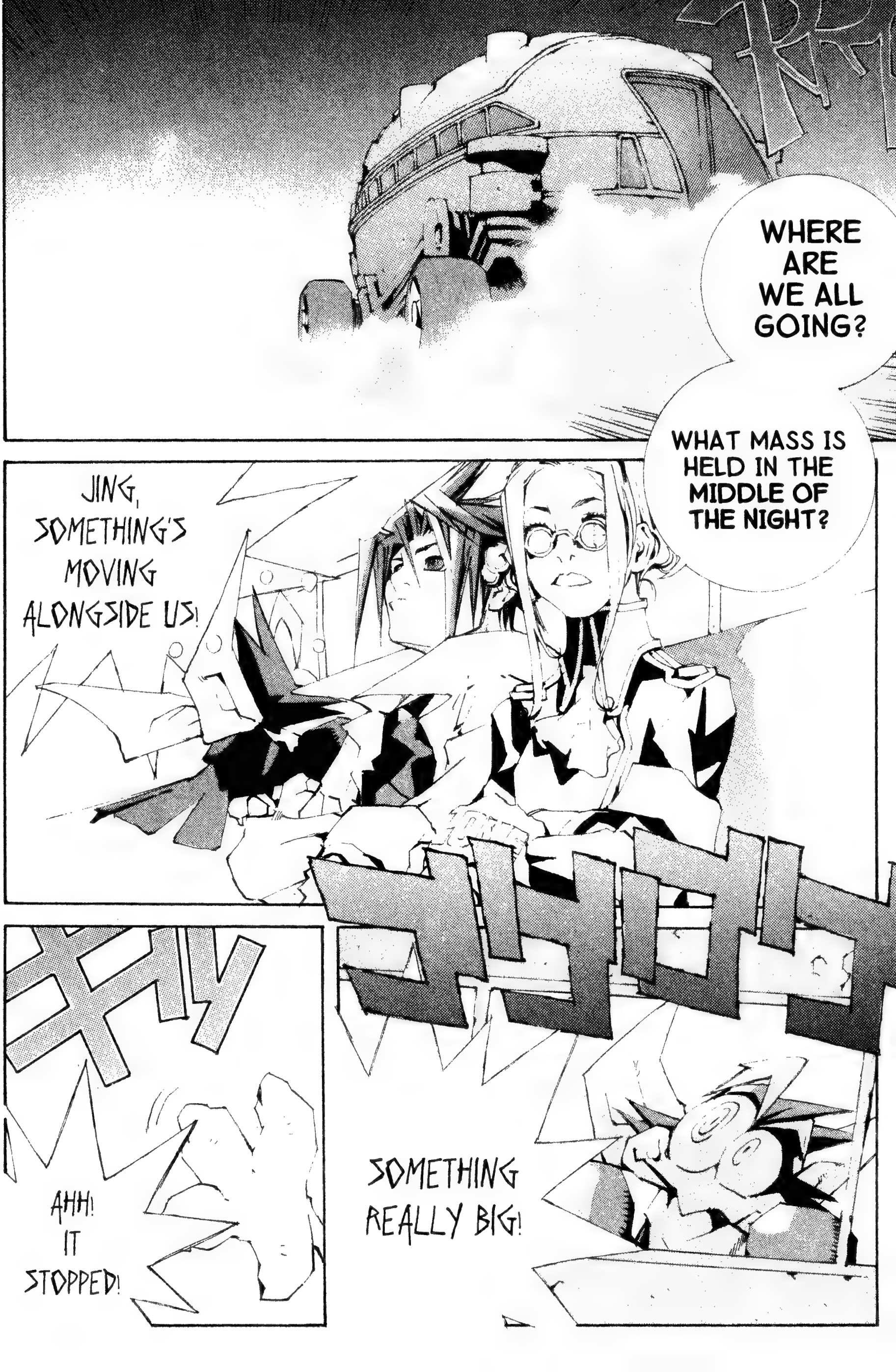

Jeez, this fog...
HEY! 'D YOU FIND 'EM?!
NO... ANY LUCK IN THE ARTIST VILLAGE?!
NOPE!
THEN, HOW ABOUT THE MATERIALS DEPARTMENT?
HOLD ON! OVER HERE!! THIS WAY!
Sorry about earlier... Man, it's cold. Come closer.
OKAY...
WELL NOW, THIS IS A PICKLE.

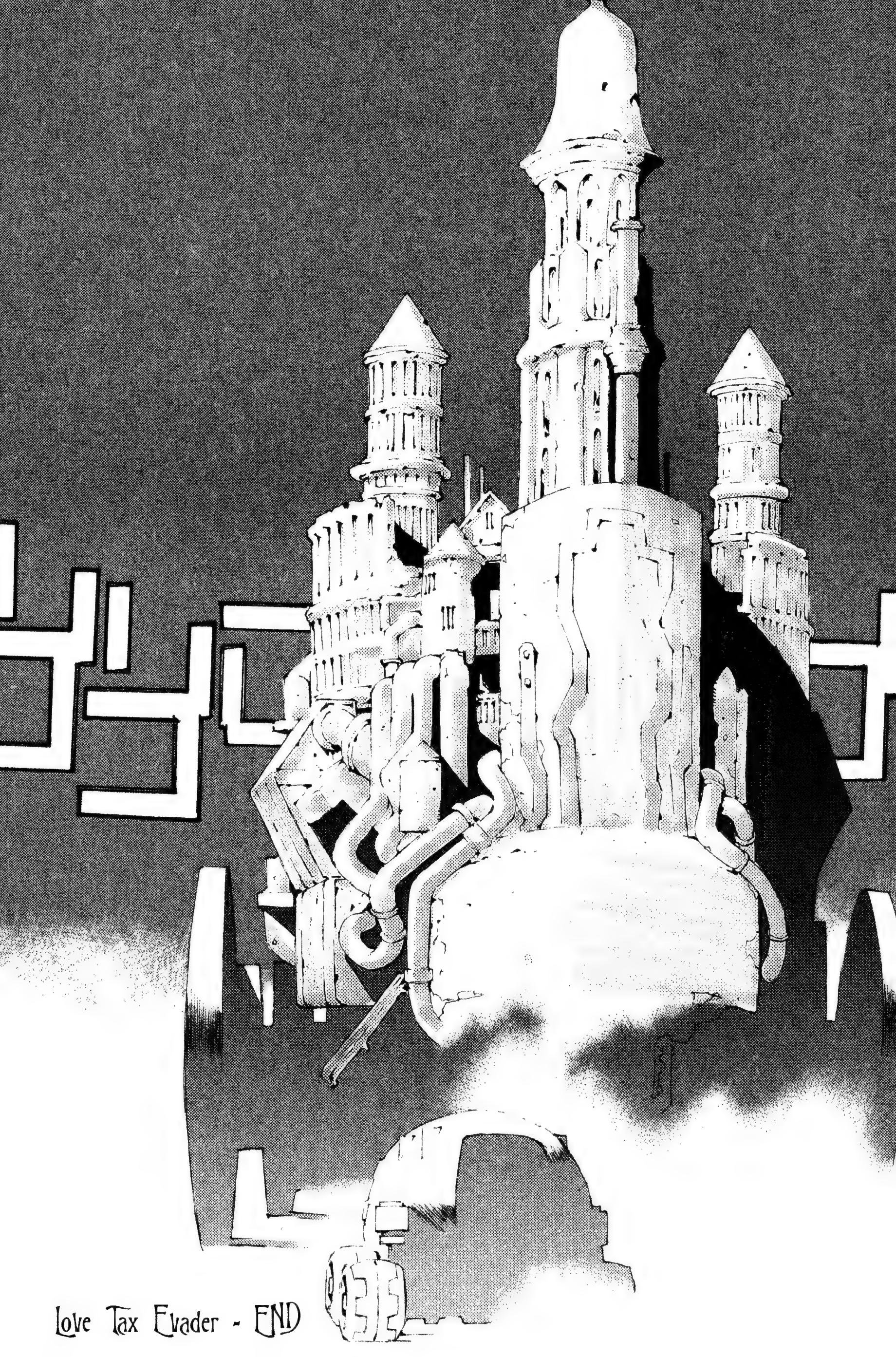

THIS THING WON'T COME OFF!
OF COURSE NOT! YOU'RE UNDER ARREST!
THEN...HOW ABOUT ARRESTING ME, TOO?
STOP IT.
THAT'S GREAT AND ALL, BUT SHOULDN'T YOU BE CALLING OUT FOR YOUR FRIENDS OR SOMETHING LIKE THAT?


THAT'S RIGHT! HE'S RIGHT HERE!!
HEEEY! I'VE GOT THE TAX EVADER!!
HERE COMES THE PADDY WAGON. IT'S THE END OF THE ROAD FOR YOU...
RRRRRRR
SKWII


PWRR
HAVE YOU WAITED LONG? PLEASE ENTER!
BON BROUILLARD! FINE FOG, NO?
UMM... WHAT?


THE MASS HAS ALREADY STARTED, THOUGH...
...Mass?
HUH... WHAT'S THIS?
DID WE JUST GET ABOARD NOAH'S ARK?
...THERE SURE ARE A LOT OF COUPLES...
SEEMS LIKE...
etc.


WHERE ARE WE ALL GOING?
WHAT MASS IS HELD IN THE MIDDLE OF THE NIGHT?
JING, SOMETHING'S MOVING ALONGSIDE US!
SOMETHING REALLY BIG!
AHH! IT STOPPED!



Love Tax Evader - END

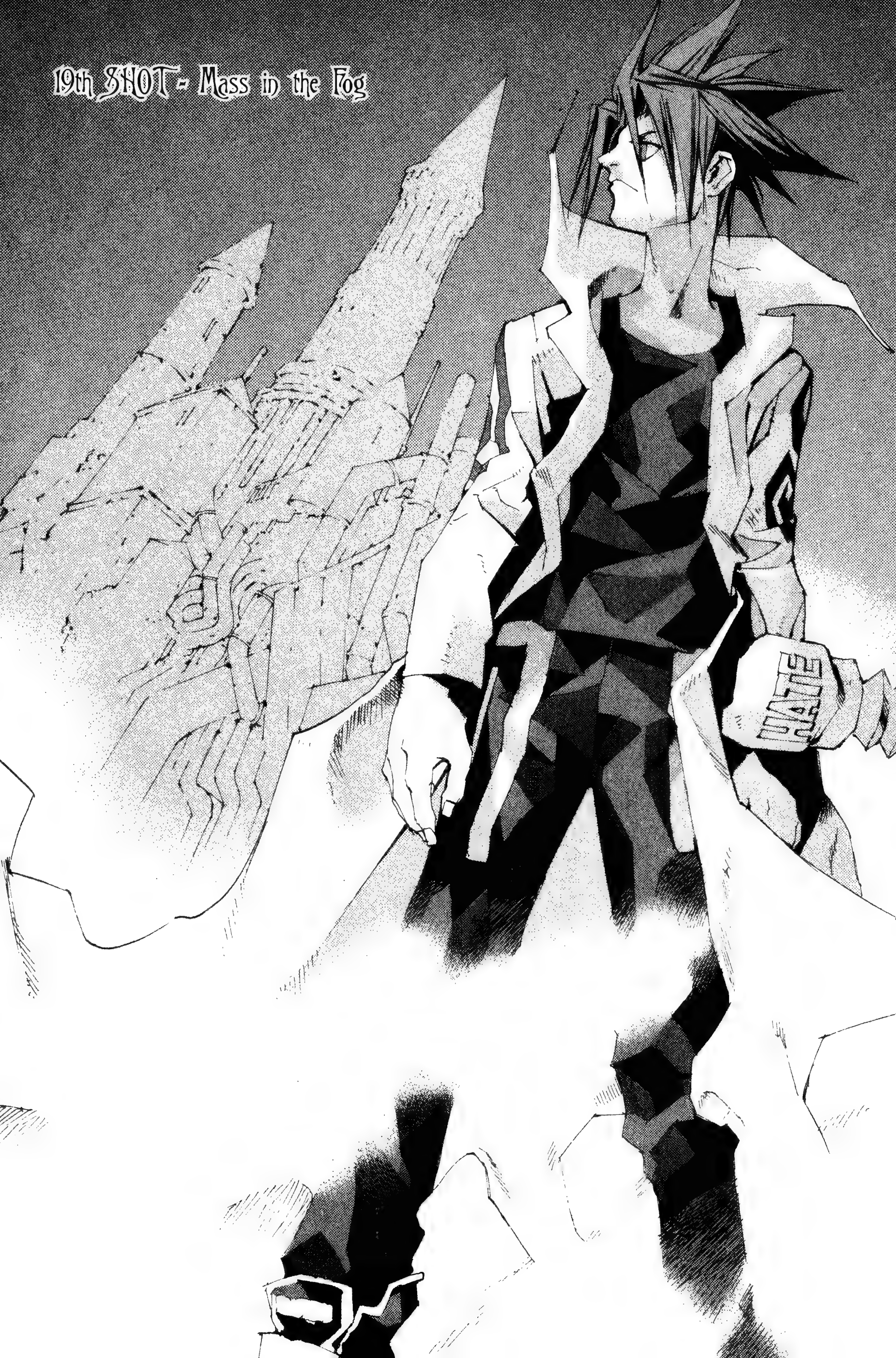
The sad Moulin Rouge...
Everyone who travels in these parts calls it so.
That city is also called the *Special Funeral District,*
and the whole city itself was built to grieve over
the death of a single girl.

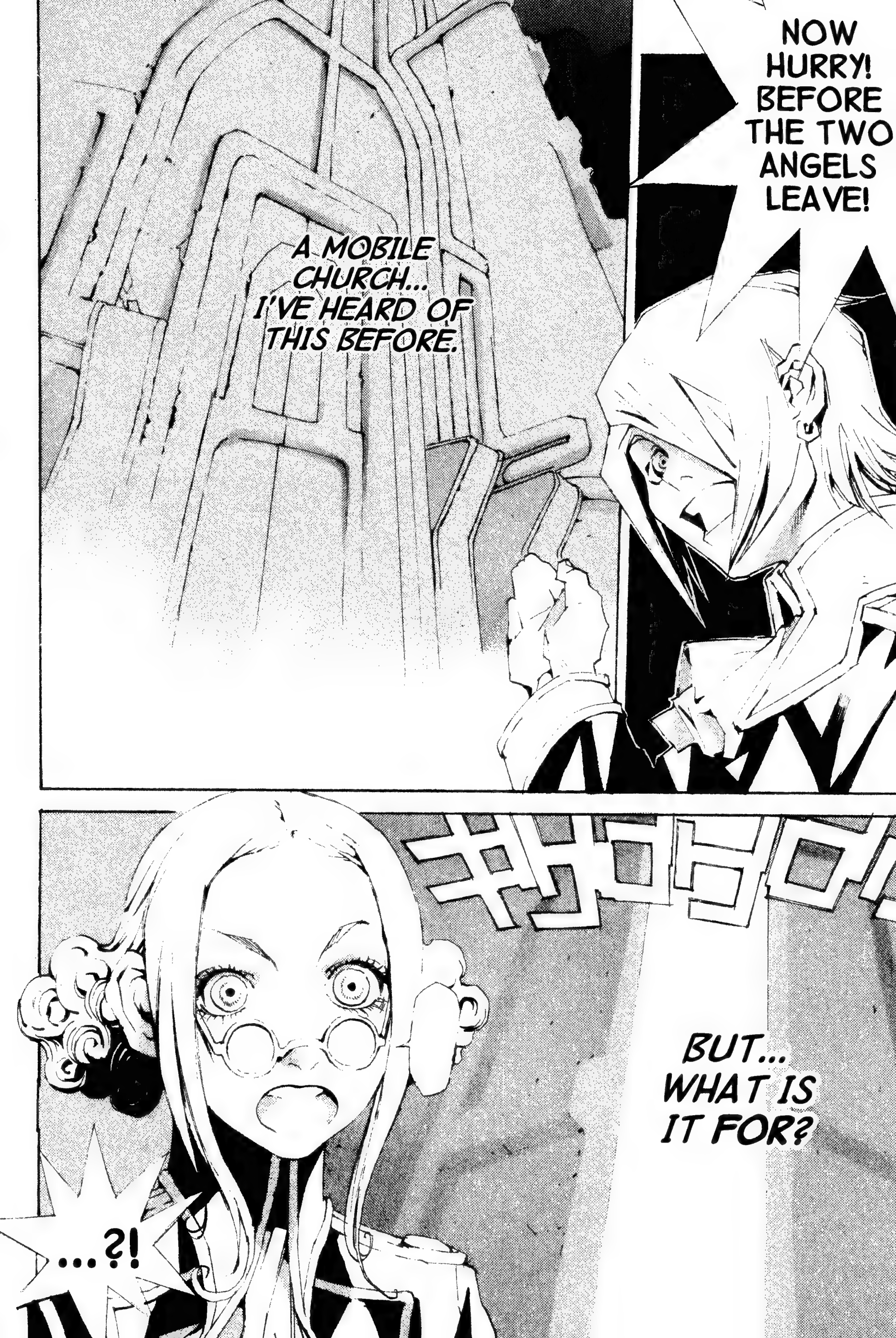
It is a unique city.
The origin of the name, which means "Red Windmill,"
comes from when a great fire sent the city's symbol,
The Great Windmill, up in a red blaze.
Currently, rumors abound that the leader of the city lost
his fiancée in the windmill, and also that the great
fire was arson started by a man who was rejected
by the aforementioned fiancée.

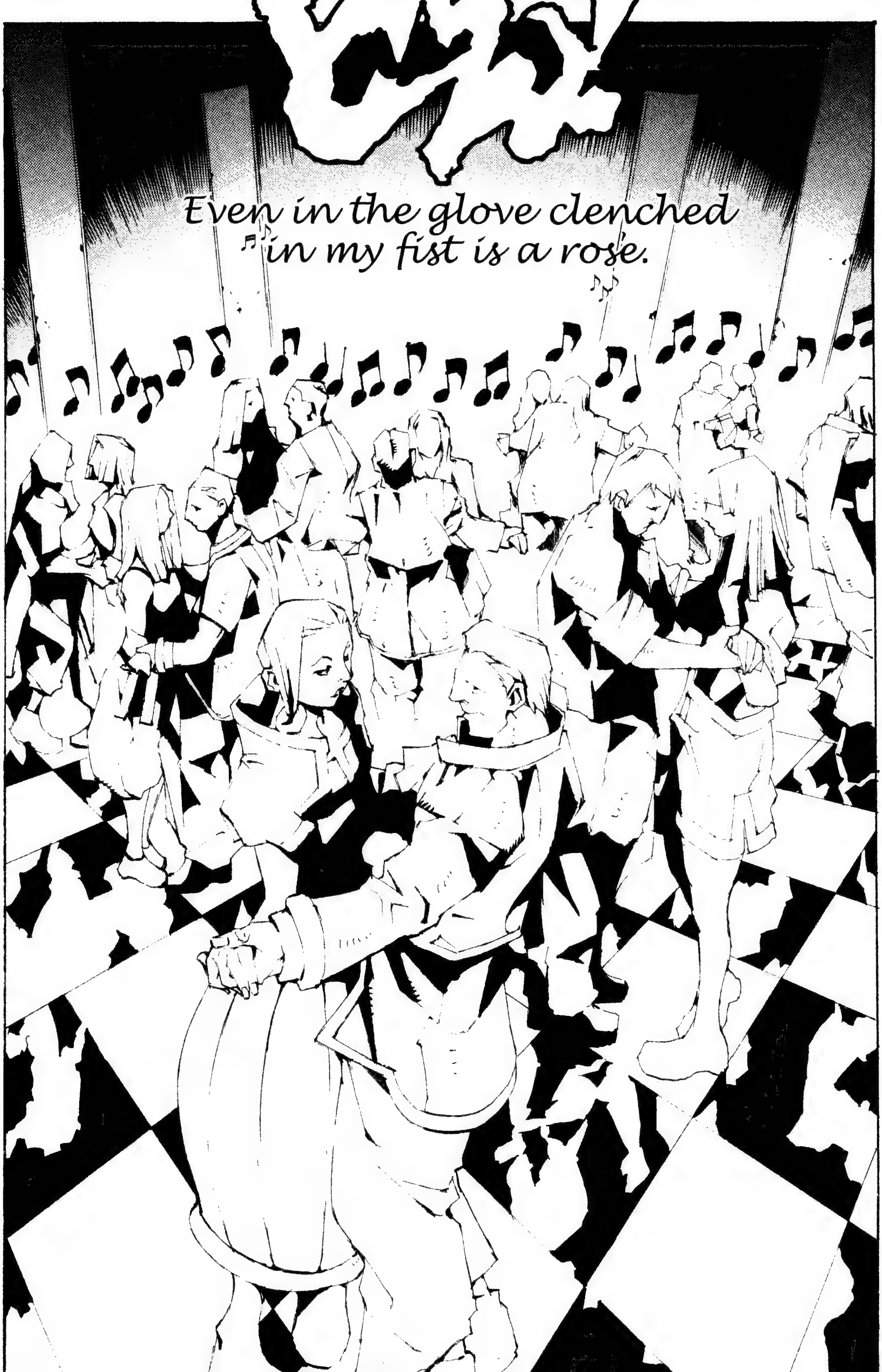
And, because this city has a special tax called the
"love tax," those passing through who are in love
must be prepared to pay the appropriate amount.
Also, take notice that if you are married--
you will be assumed to be "in love" regardless.

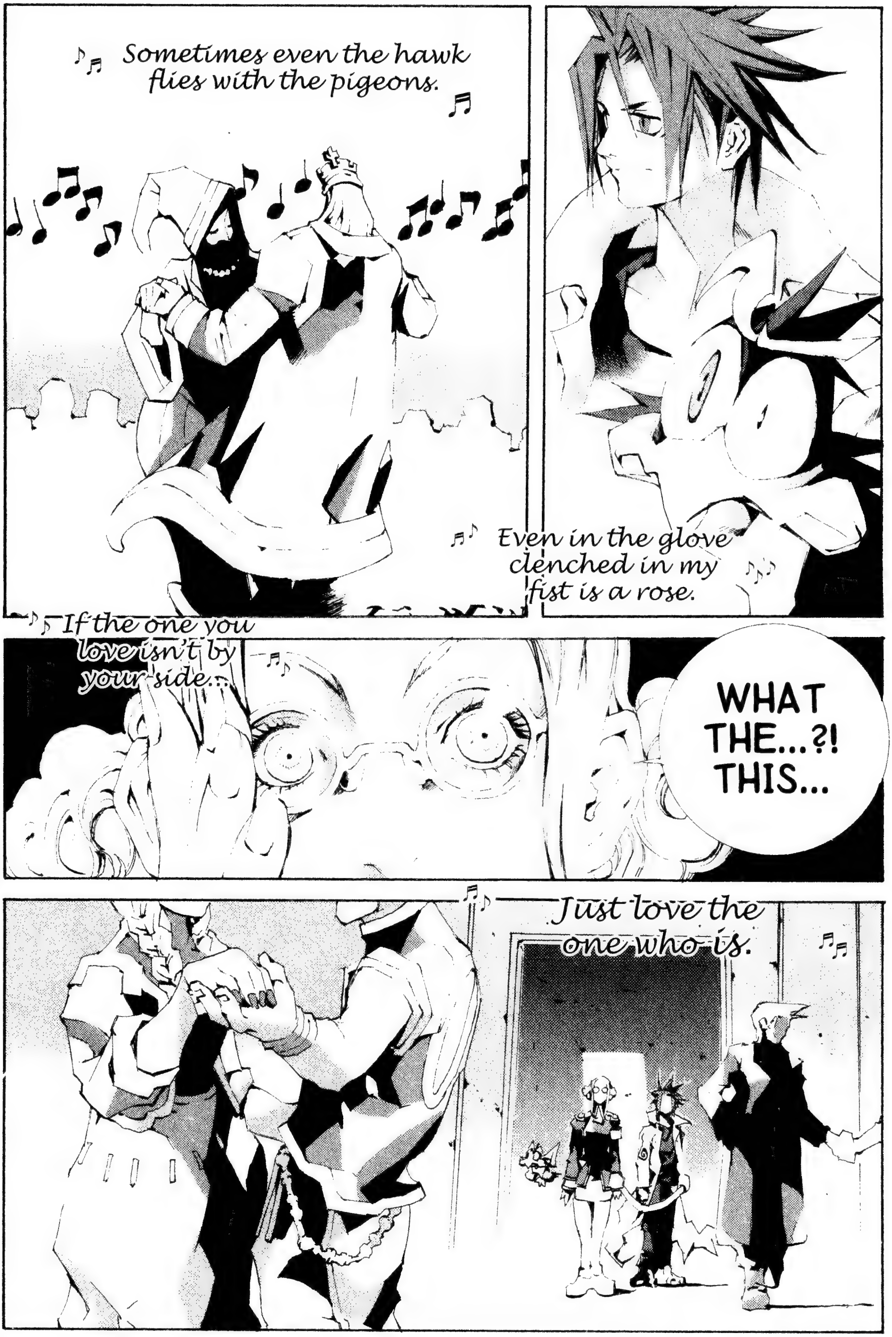
(How a Blind City Walks, 2nd Edition)

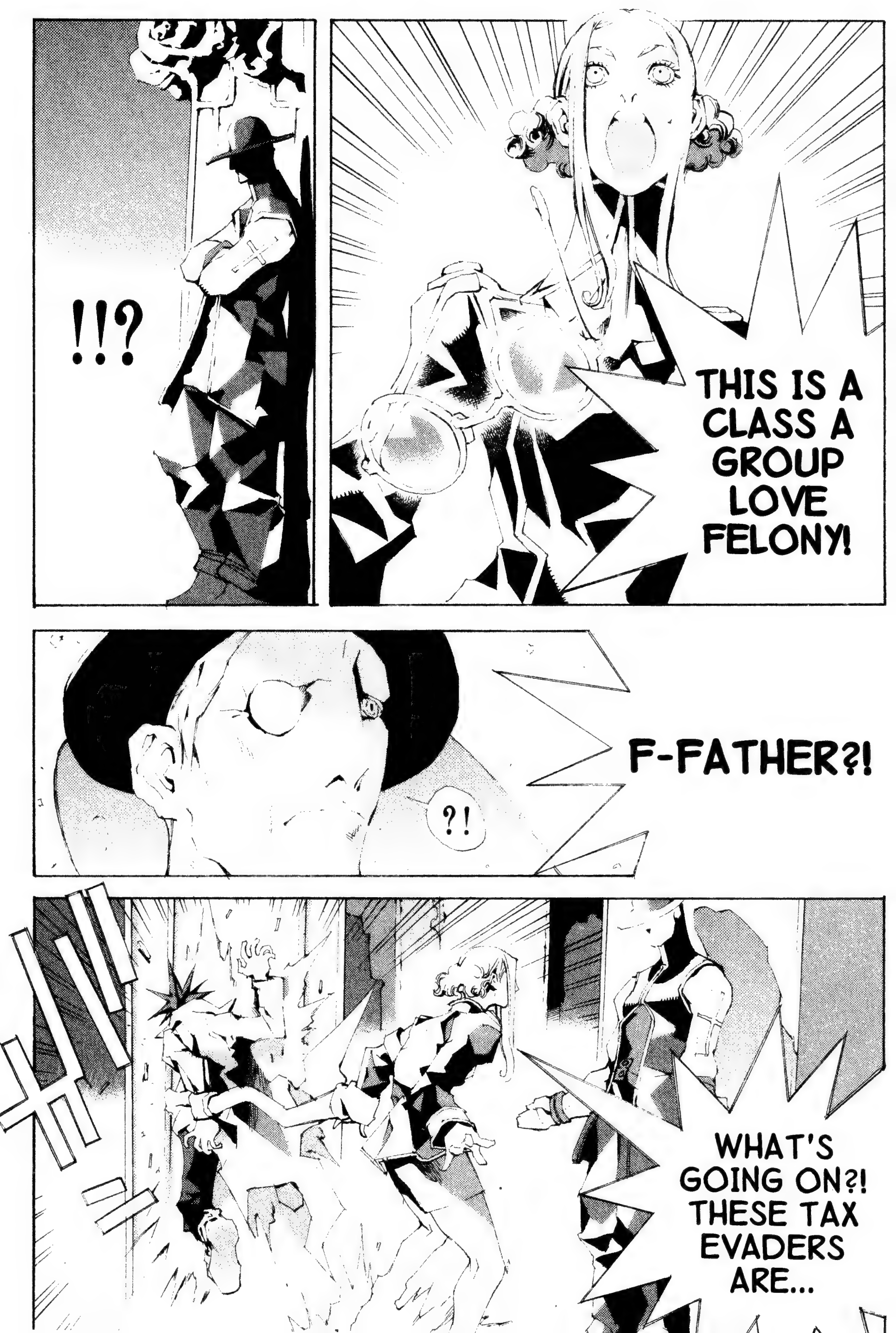
19th SHOT - Mass in the Fog

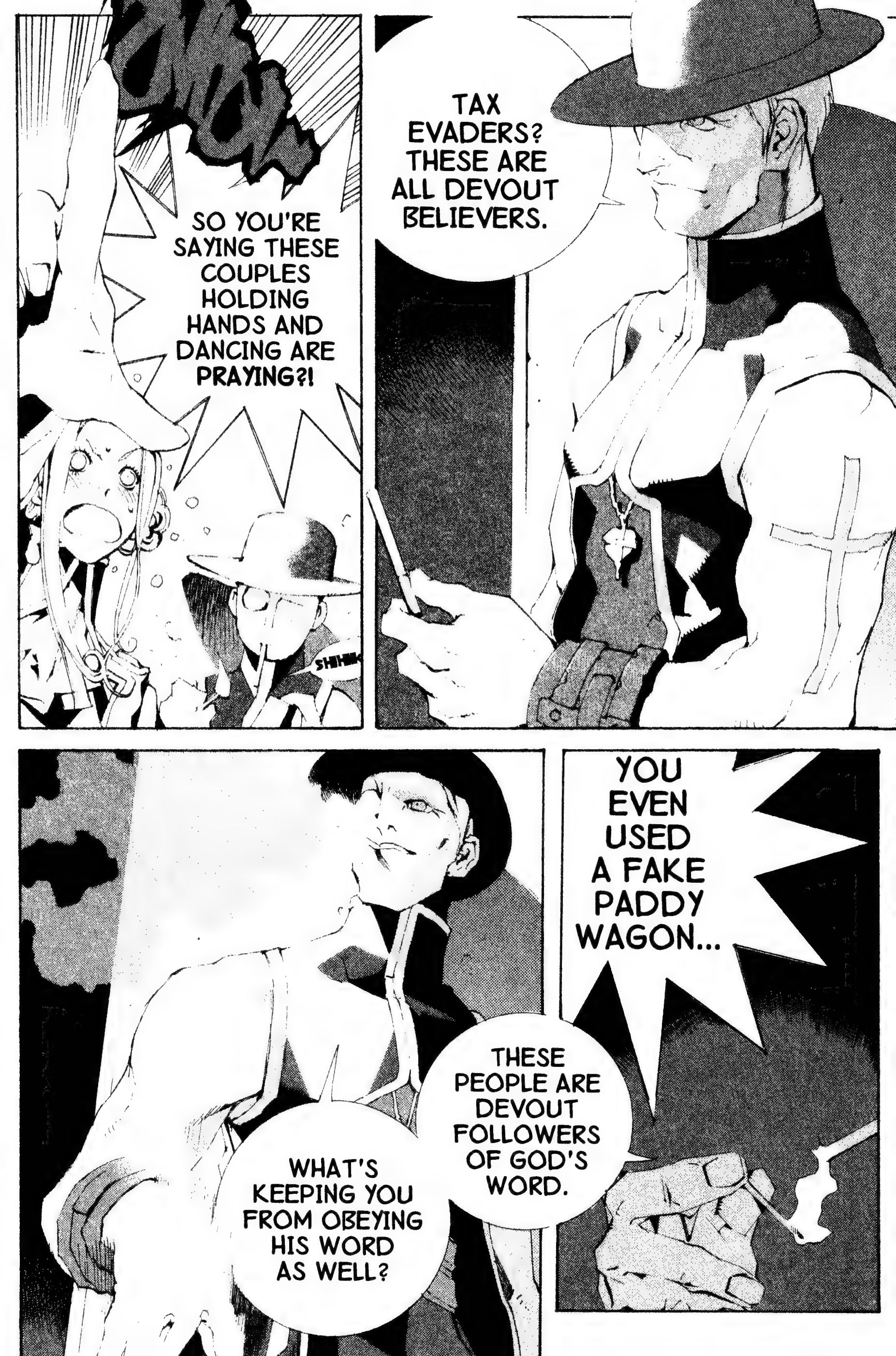


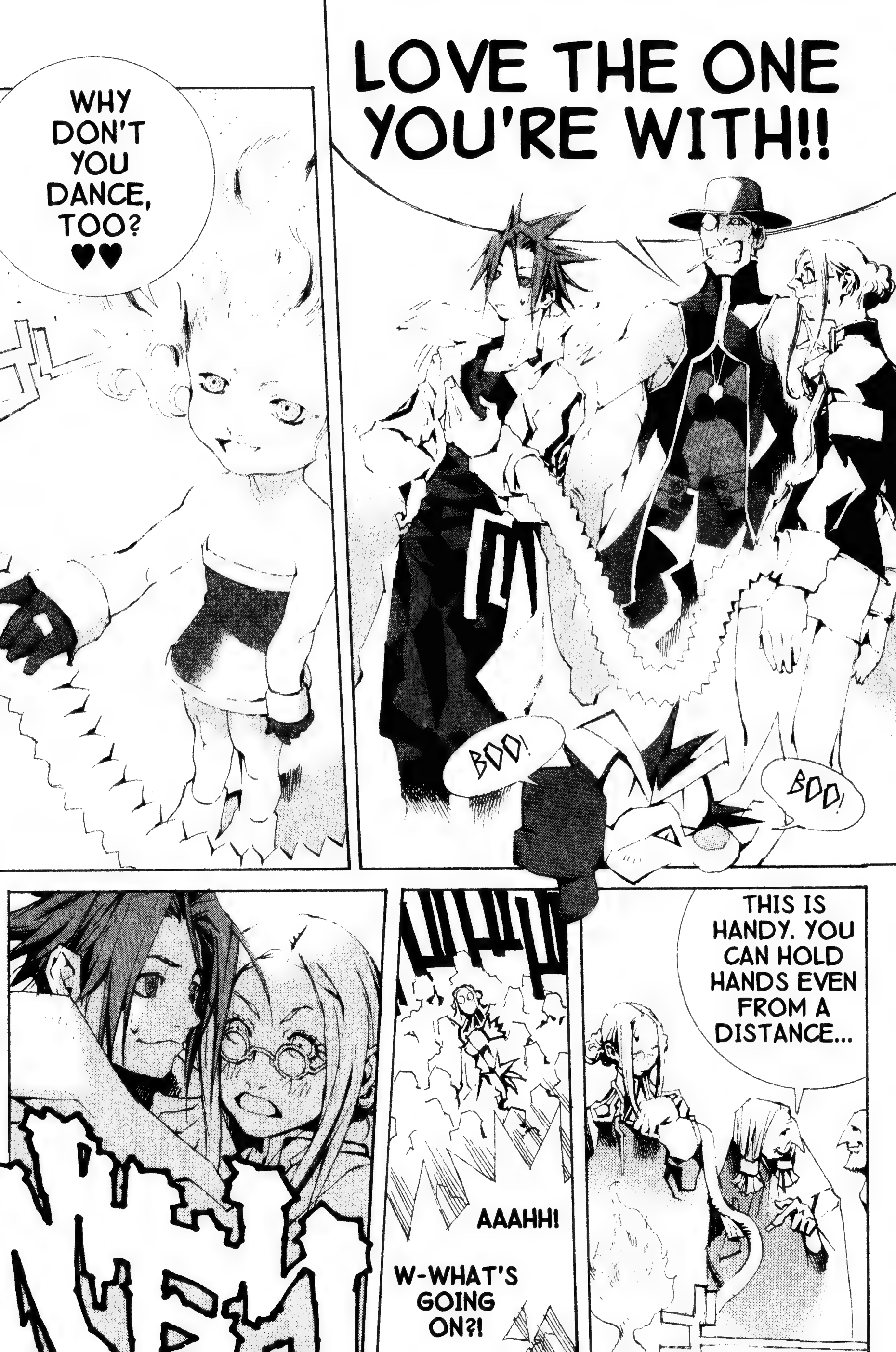

NOW HURRY! BEFORE THE TWO ANGELS LEAVE!
A MOBILE CHURCH... I'VE HEARD OF THIS BEFORE.
BUT... WHAT IS IT FOR?
...?!

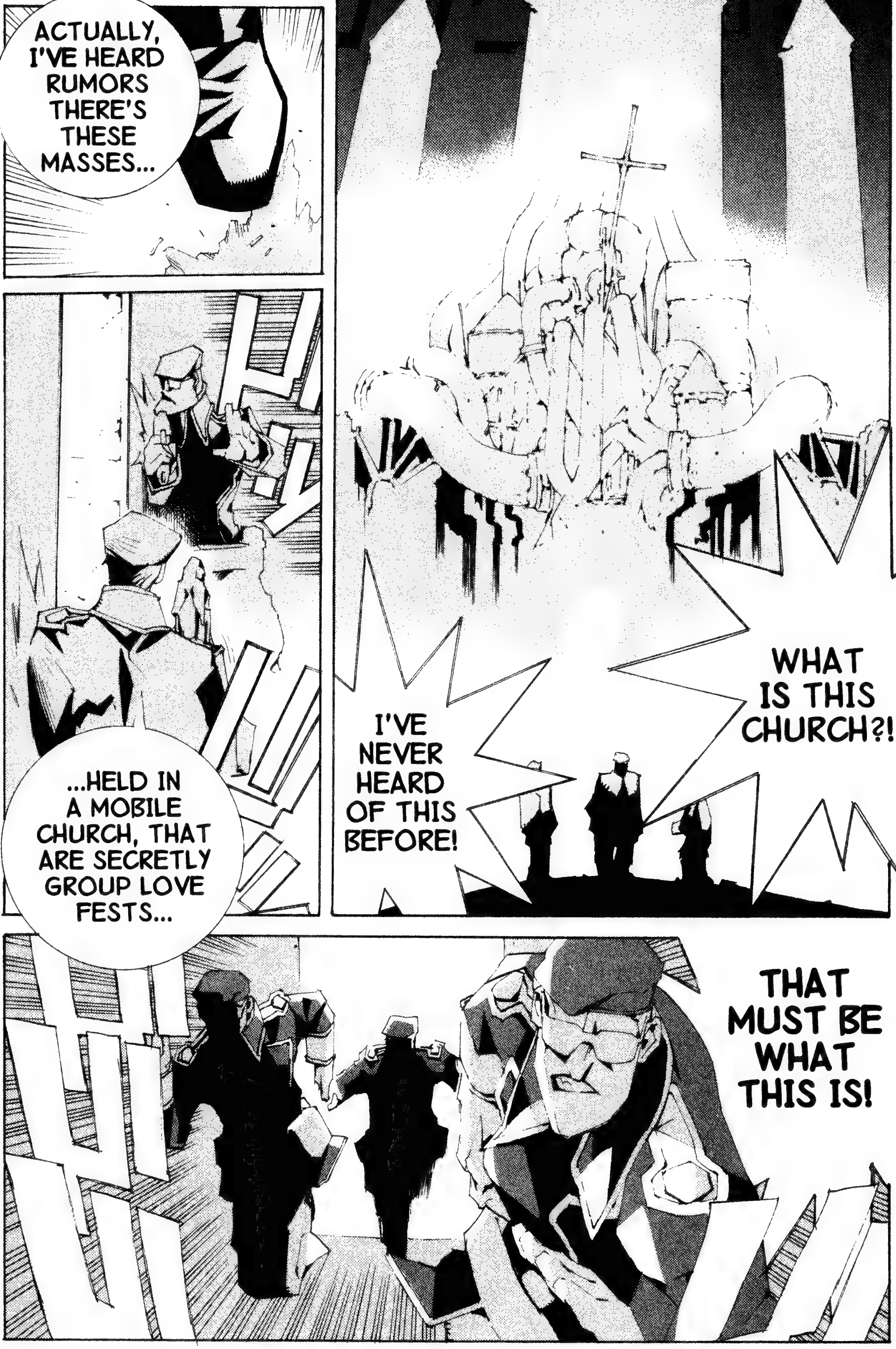

Even in the glove clenched in my fist is a rose.

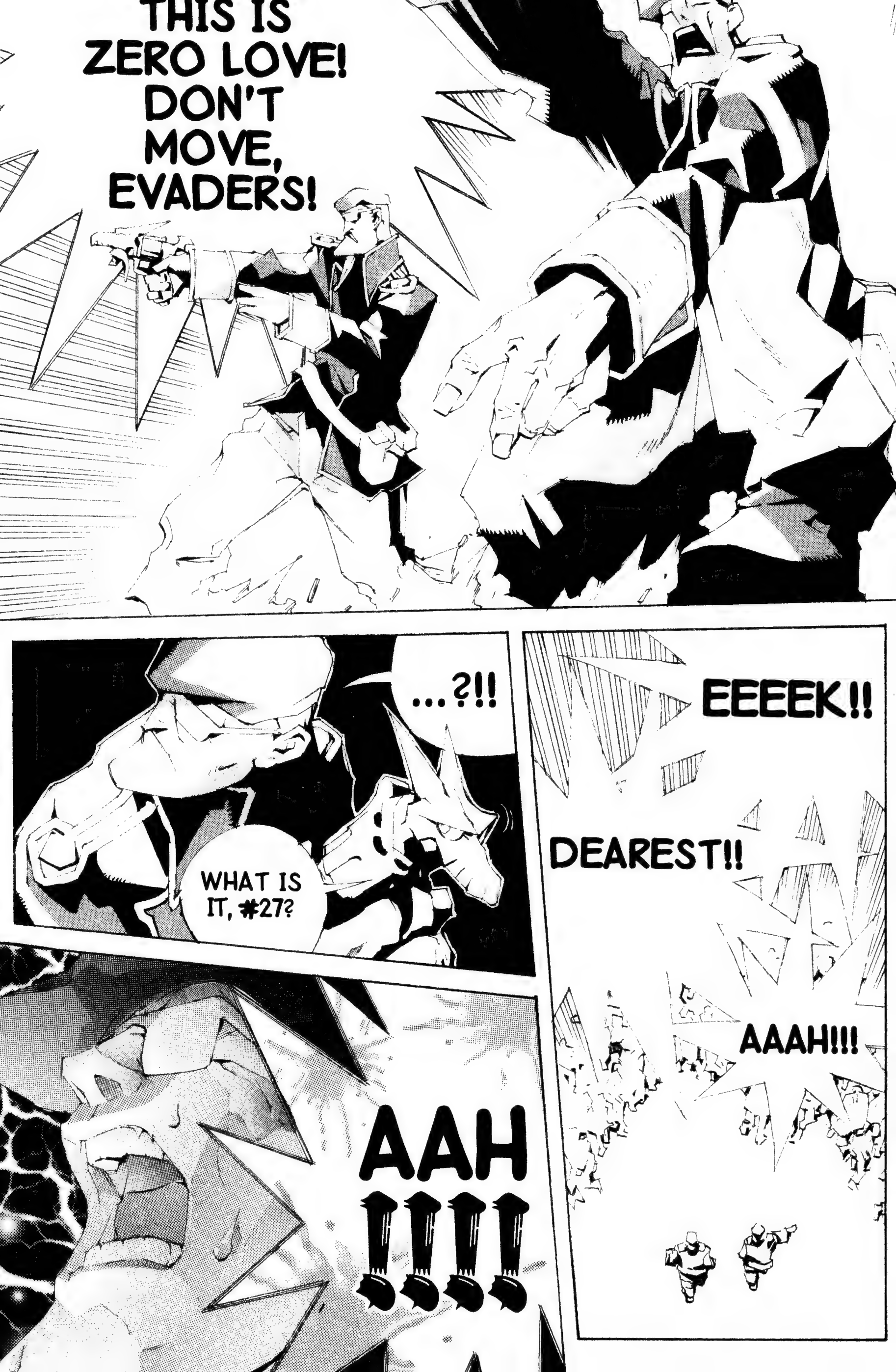

♪♬ Sometimes even the hawk flies with the pigeons. ♬
♬♪ Even in the glove clenched in my fist is a rose. ♬♪♪
♪♪ If the one you love isn't by your side... ♬♪
WHAT THE...?! THIS...
♬♪ Just love the one who is. ♬♬

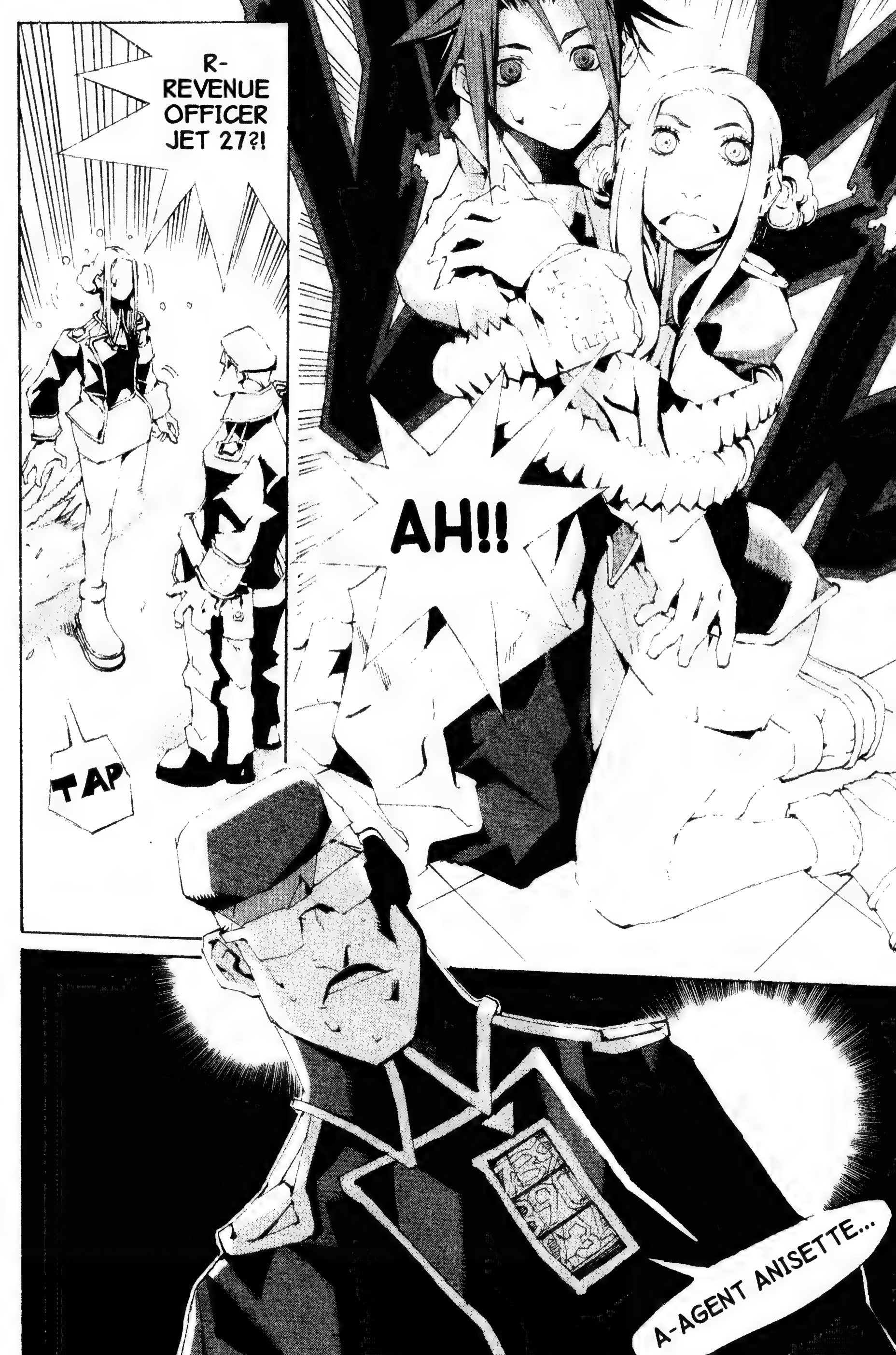

THIS IS A CLASS A GROUP LOVE FELONY!
!!?
F-FATHER?!
?!
WHAT'S GOING ON?! THESE TAX EVADERS ARE...

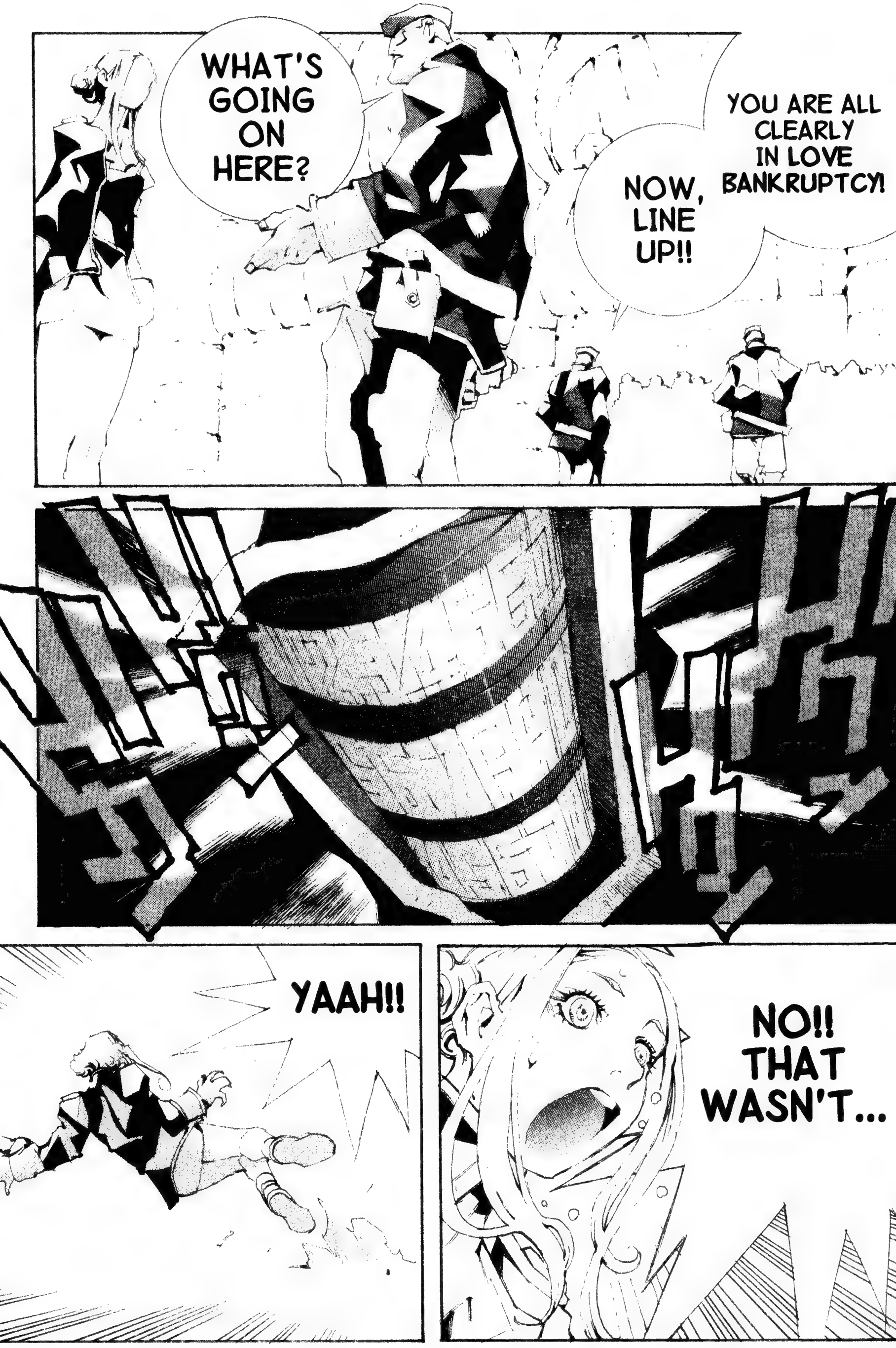

TAX EVADERS? THESE ARE ALL DEVOUT BELIEVERS.
SO YOU'RE SAYING THESE COUPLES HOLDING HANDS AND DANCING ARE PRAYING?!
SHIHIK
YOU EVEN USED A FAKE PADDY WAGON...
THESE PEOPLE ARE DEVOUT FOLLOWERS OF GOD'S WORD.
WHAT'S KEEPING YOU FROM OBEYING HIS WORD AS WELL?

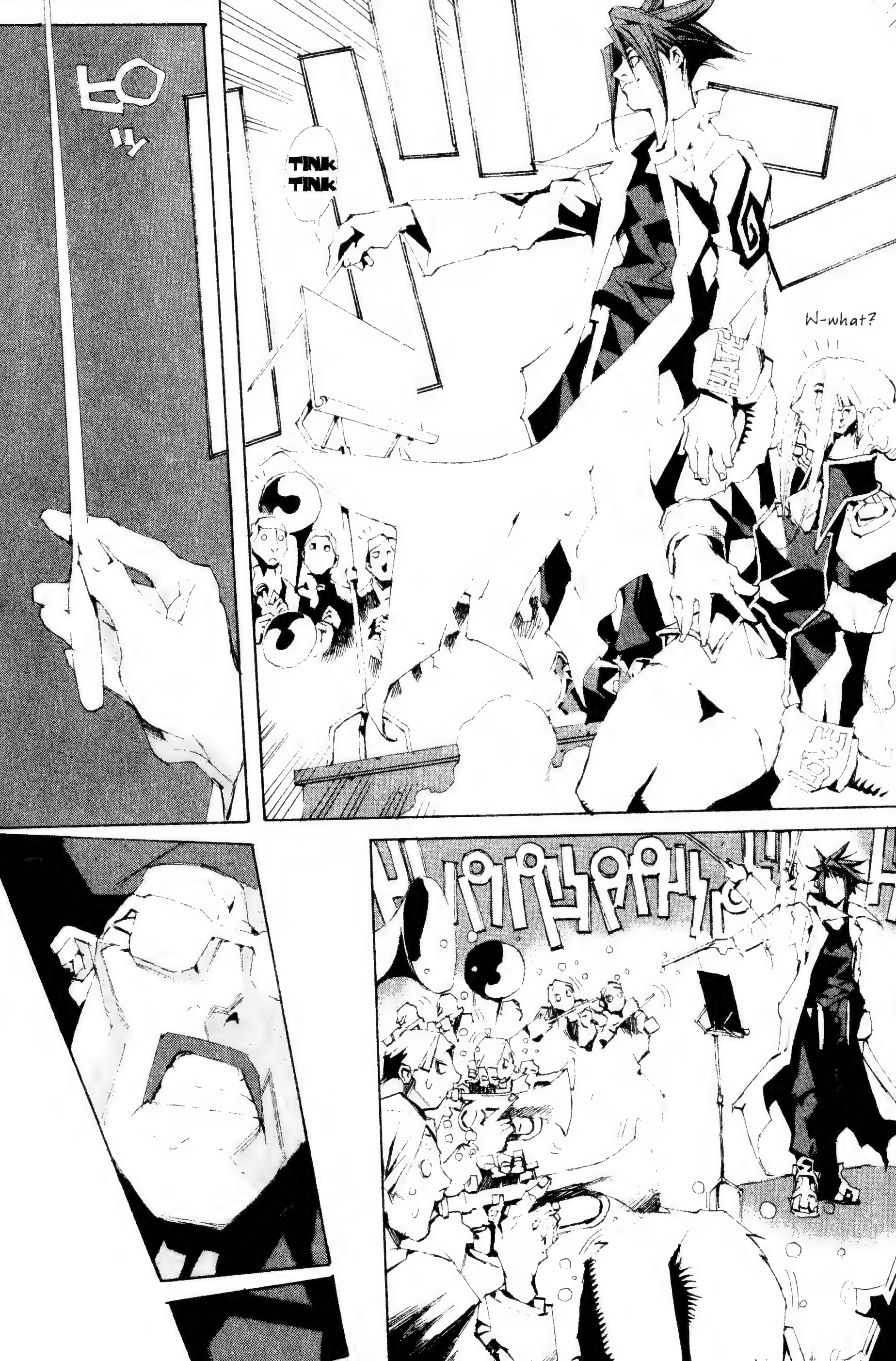

LOVE THE ONE YOU'RE WITH!!
BOO!
BOO!
WHY DON'T YOU DANCE, TOO? ♥♥
THIS IS HANDY. YOU CAN HOLD HANDS EVEN FROM A DISTANCE...
AAAHH!
W-WHAT'S GOING ON?!


WHAT IS THIS CHURCH?!
I'VE NEVER HEARD OF THIS BEFORE!
ACTUALLY, I'VE HEARD RUMORS THERE'S THESE MASSES...
...HELD IN A MOBILE CHURCH, THAT ARE SECRETLY GROUP LOVE FESTS...
THAT MUST BE WHAT THIS IS!


THIS IS ZERO LOVE! DON'T MOVE, EVADERS!
EEEEK!!
DEAREST!!
AAAH!!!
...?!!
WHAT IS IT, #27?
AAH !!!!


AH!!
R-REVENUE OFFICER JET 27?!
TAP
A-AGENT ANISETTE...


YOU ARE ALL CLEARLY IN LOVE BANKRUPTCY!
NOW, LINE UP!!
WHAT'S GOING ON HERE?
NO!! THAT WASN'T...
YAAH!!


TINK TINK
W-what?
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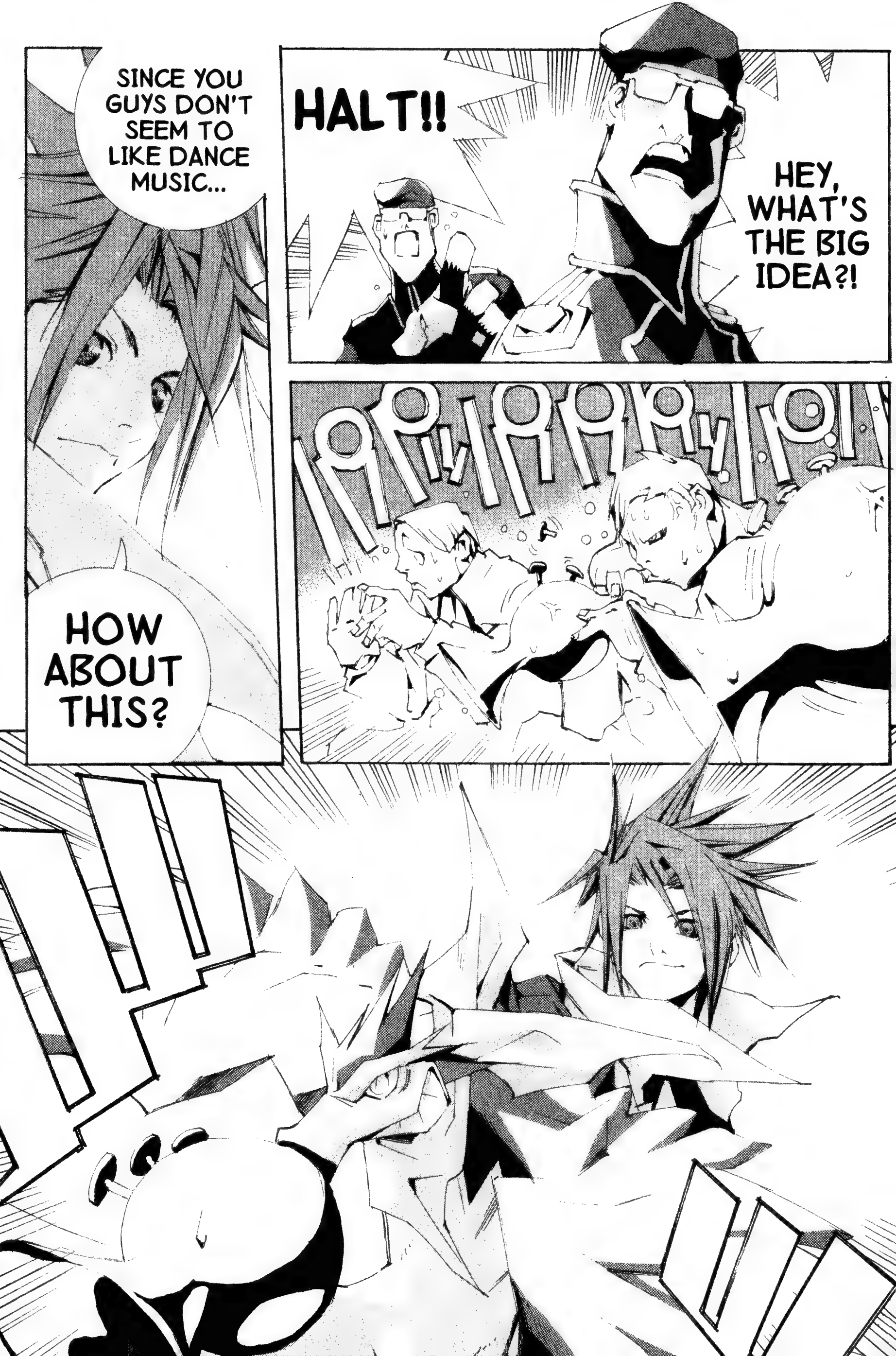
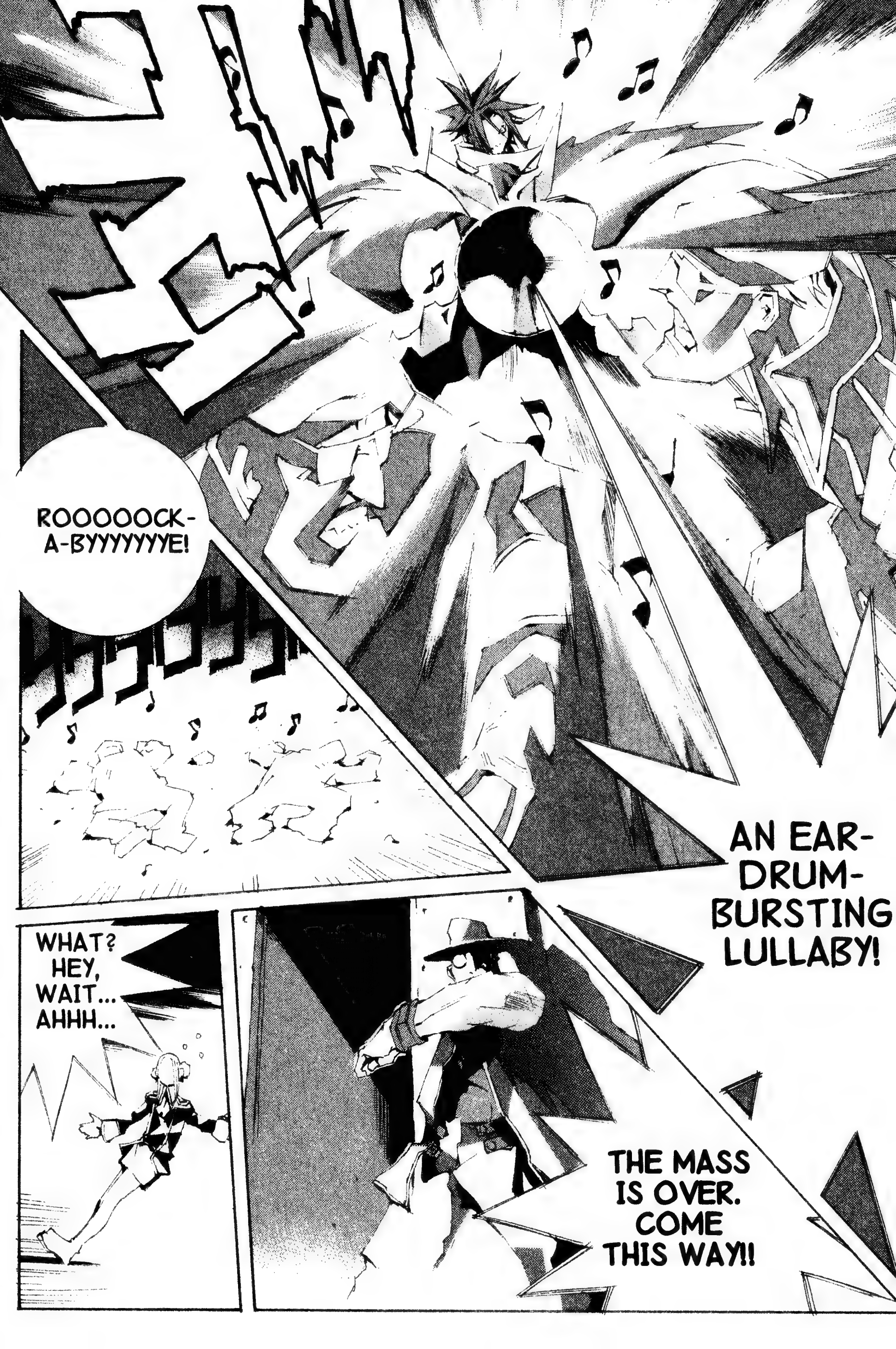
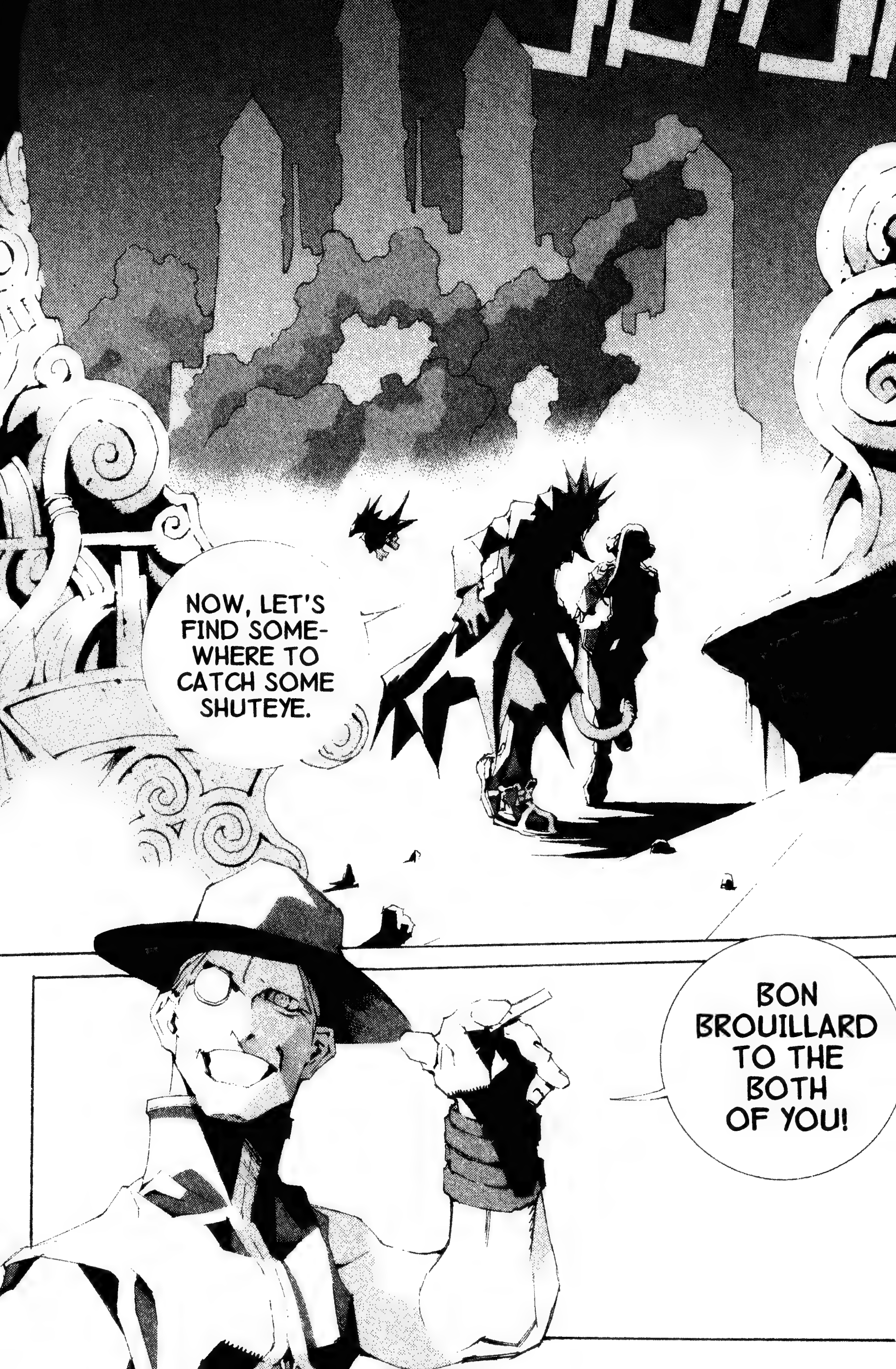
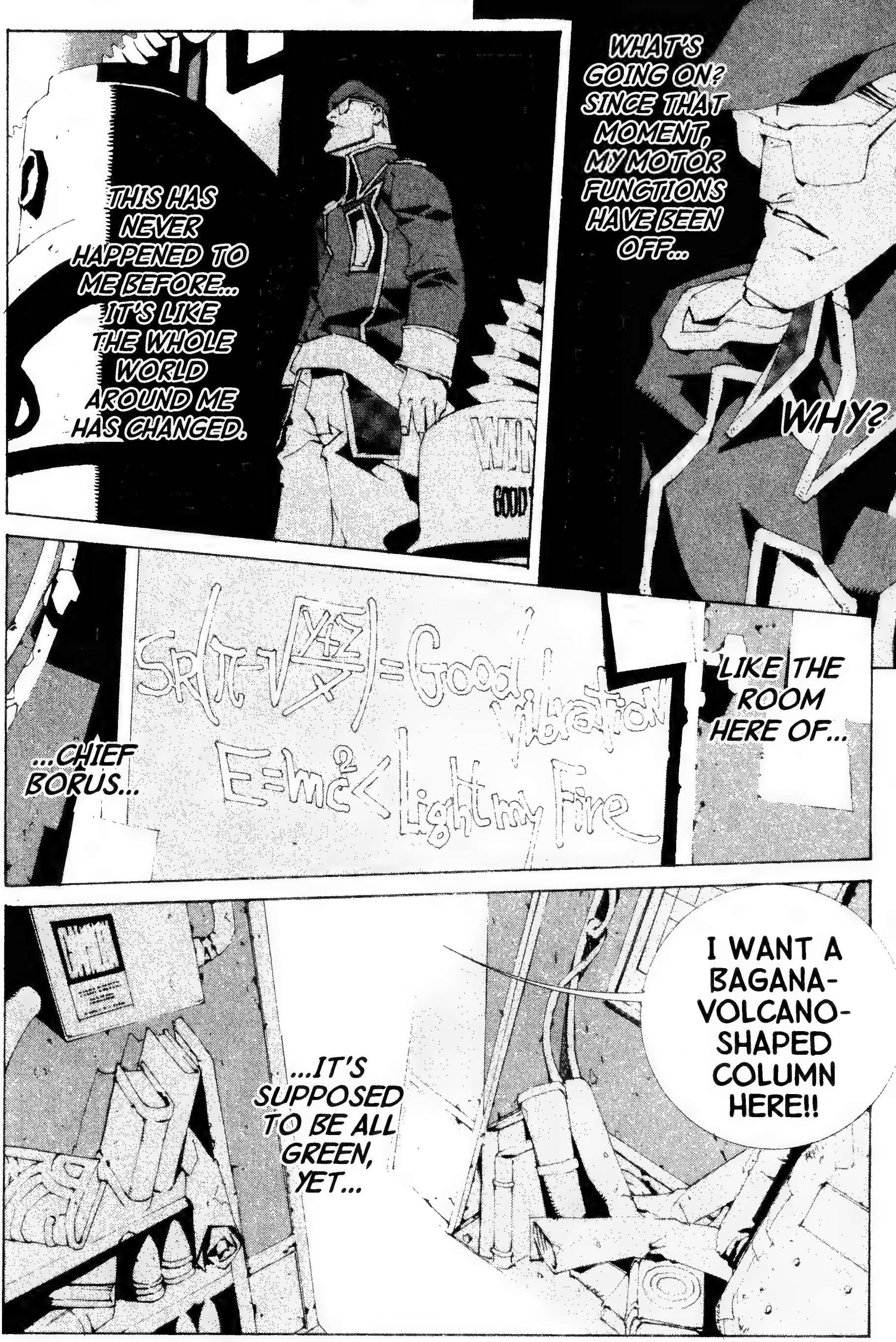
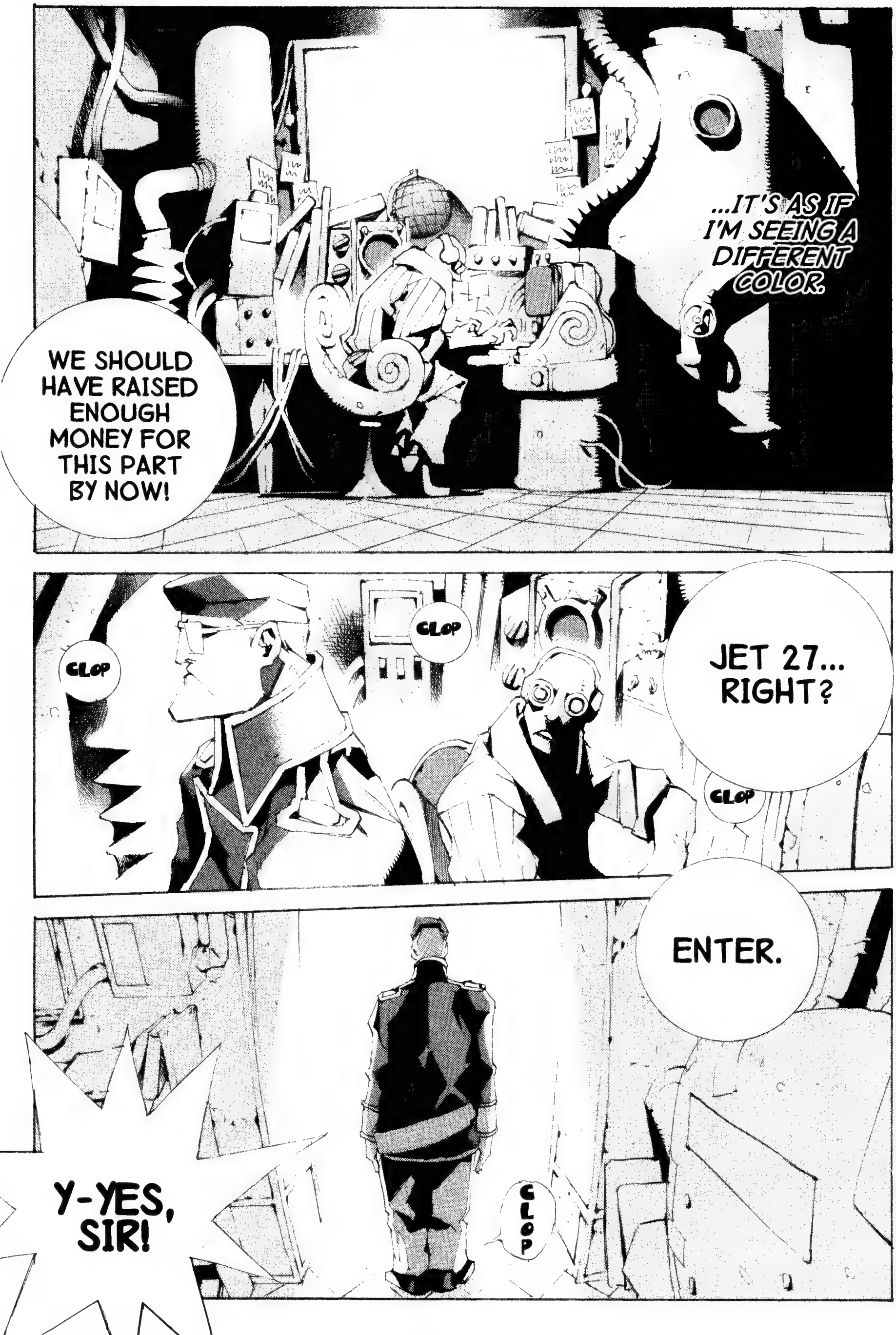
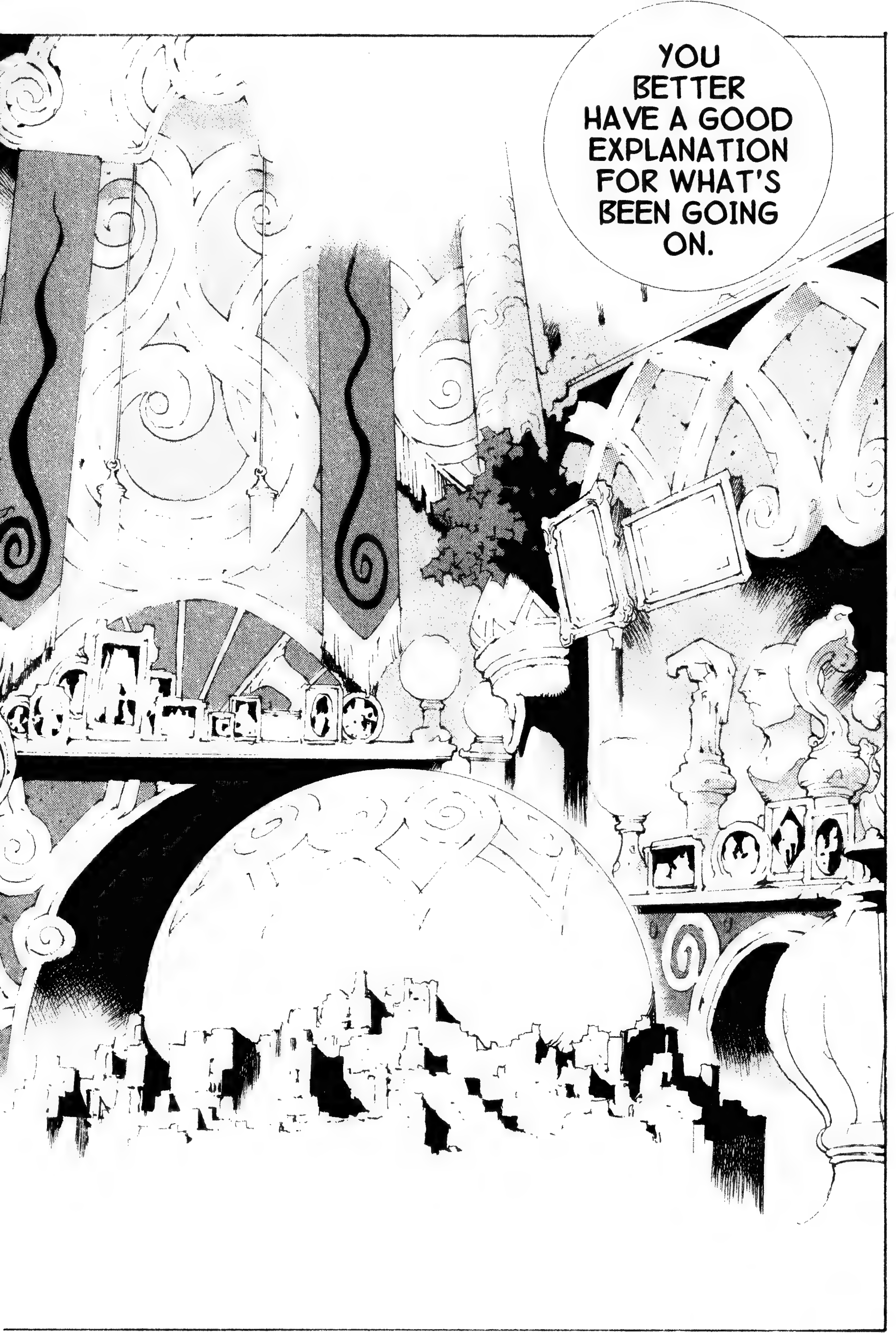

HEY, WHAT'S THE BIG IDEA?!
HALT!!
SINCE YOU GUYS DON'T SEEM TO LIKE DANCE MUSIC...
HOW ABOUT THIS?


ROOOOOCK-A-BYYYYYYE!
AN EAR-DRUM-BURSTING LULLABY!
THE MASS IS OVER. COME THIS WAY!!
WHAT? HEY, WAIT... AHHH...


NOW, LET'S FIND SOMEWHERE TO CATCH SOME SHUTEYE.
BON BROUILLARD TO THE BOTH OF YOU!


WHAT'S GOING ON? SINCE THAT MOMENT, MY MOTOR FUNCTIONS HAVE BEEN OFF...
WHY?
THIS HAS NEVER HAPPENED TO ME BEFORE... IT'S LIKE THE WHOLE WORLD AROUND ME HAS CHANGED.
LIKE THE ROOM HERE OF...
...CHIEF BORUS...
SR(π-√(Y+Z)/X)=Good vibration
E=mc² < Light my Fire
I WANT A BAGANA-VOLCANO-SHAPED COLUMN HERE!!
...IT'S SUPPOSED TO BE ALL GREEN, YET...


...IT'S AS IF I'M SEEING A DIFFERENT COLOR.
WE SHOULD HAVE RAISED ENOUGH MONEY FOR THIS PART BY NOW!
JET 27... RIGHT?
CLOP
CLOP
CLOP
ENTER.
CLOP
Y-YES, SIR!


YOU BETTER HAVE A GOOD EXPLANATION FOR WHAT'S BEEN GOING ON.

Mass in the Fog - END

Long ago, there was a poet
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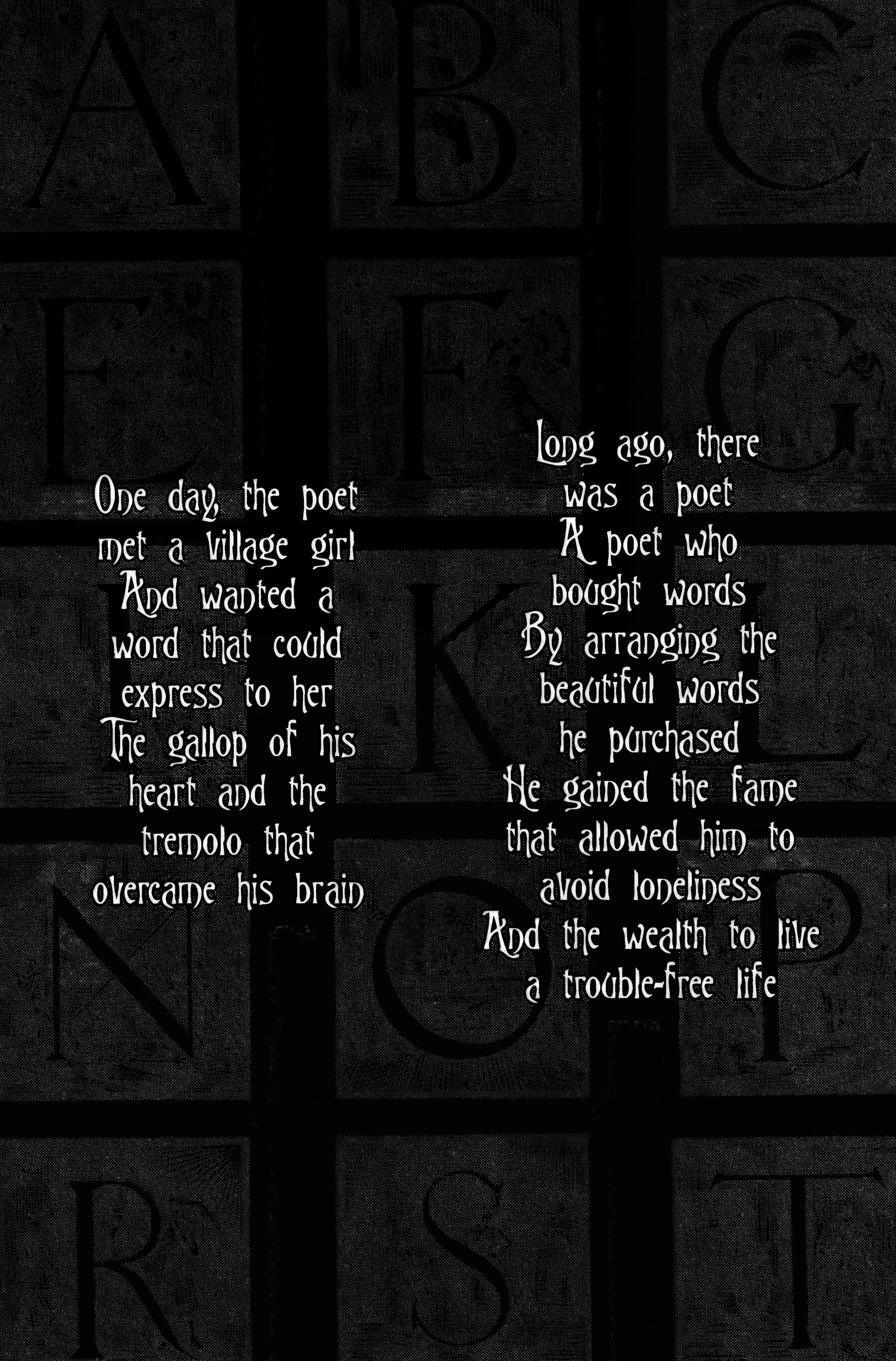
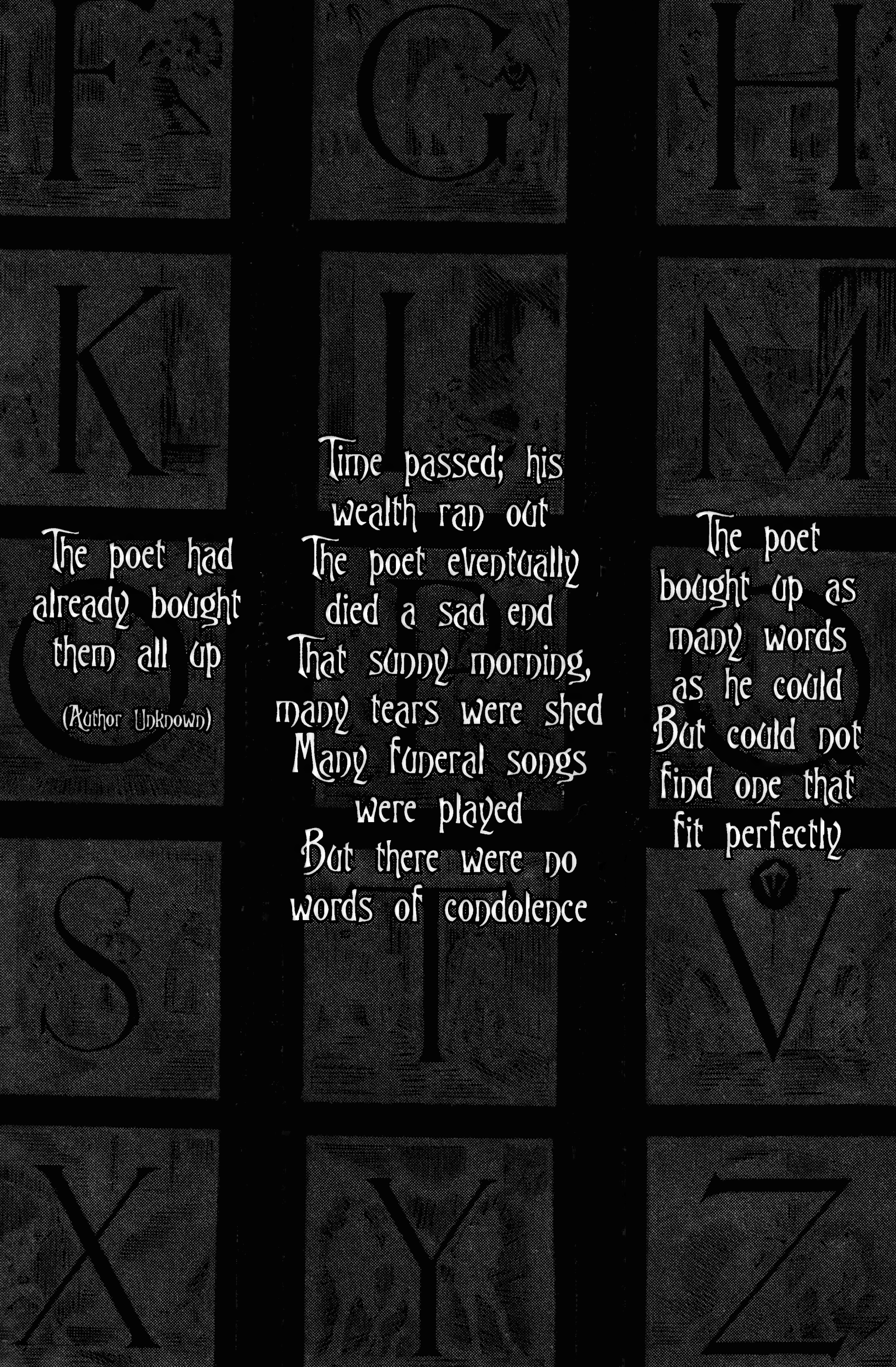
A poet who bought words
言葉を金で買う詩人がいた



Long ago, there
was a poet
A poet who
bought words
By arranging the
beautiful words
he purchased
He gained the fame
that allowed him to
avoid loneliness
And the wealth to live
a trouble-free life

One day, the poet
met a village girl
And wanted a
word that could
express to her
The gallop of his
heart and the
tremolo that
overcame his brain



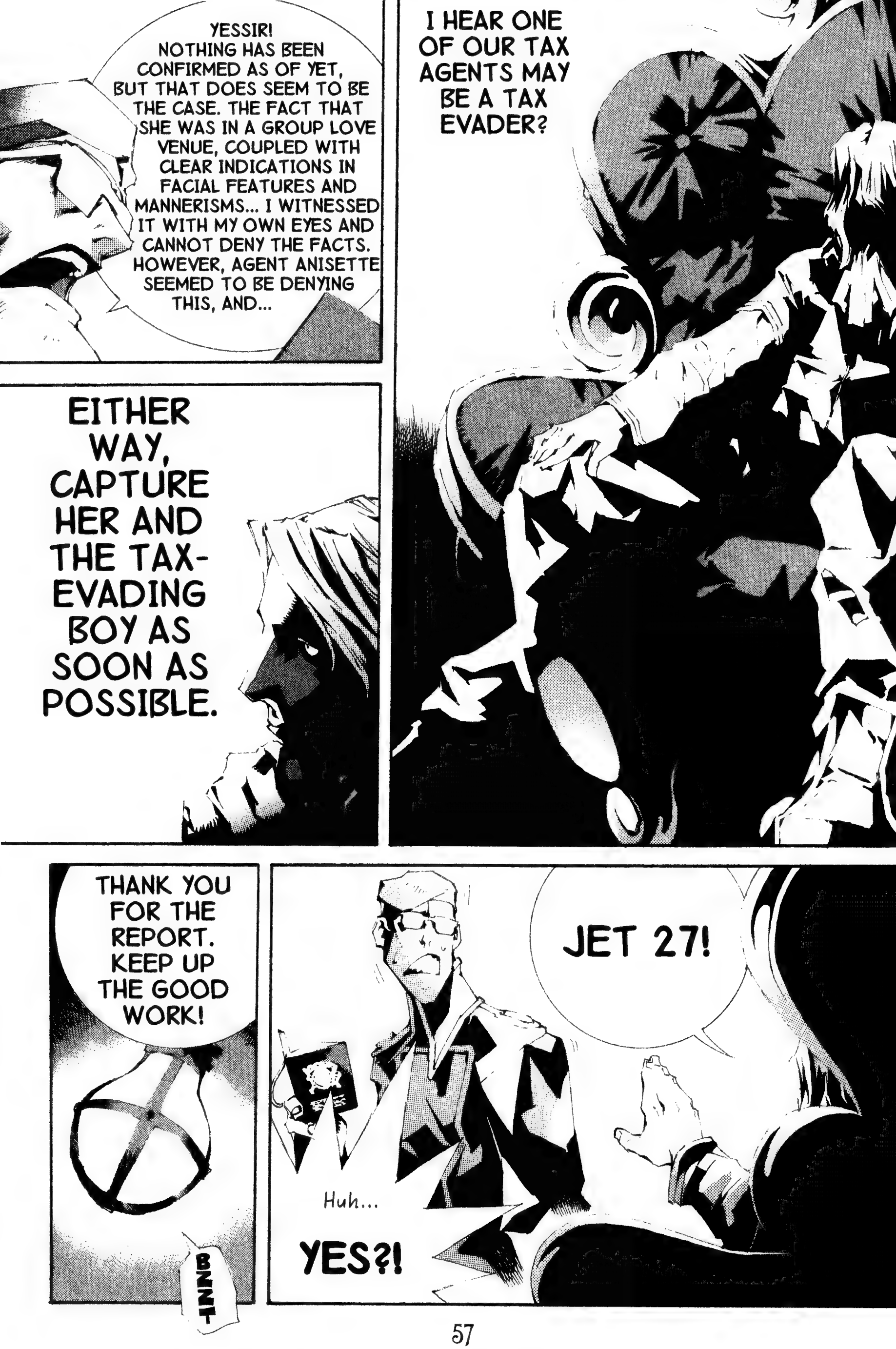
The poet
bought up as
many words
as he could
But could not
find one that
fit perfectly

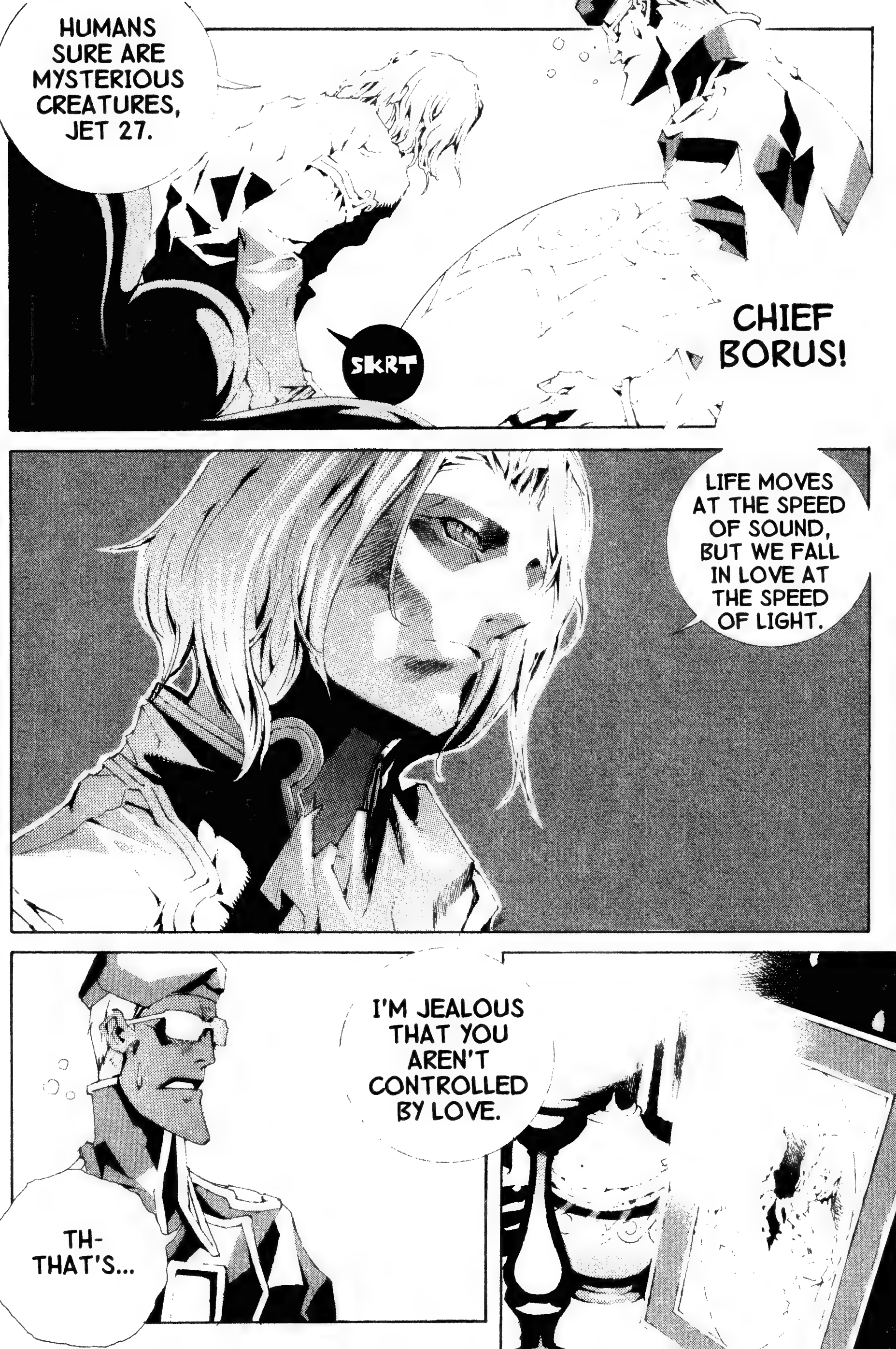
Time passed; his
wealth ran out
The poet eventually
died a sad end
That sunny morning,
many tears were shed
Many funeral songs
were played
But there were no
words of condolence

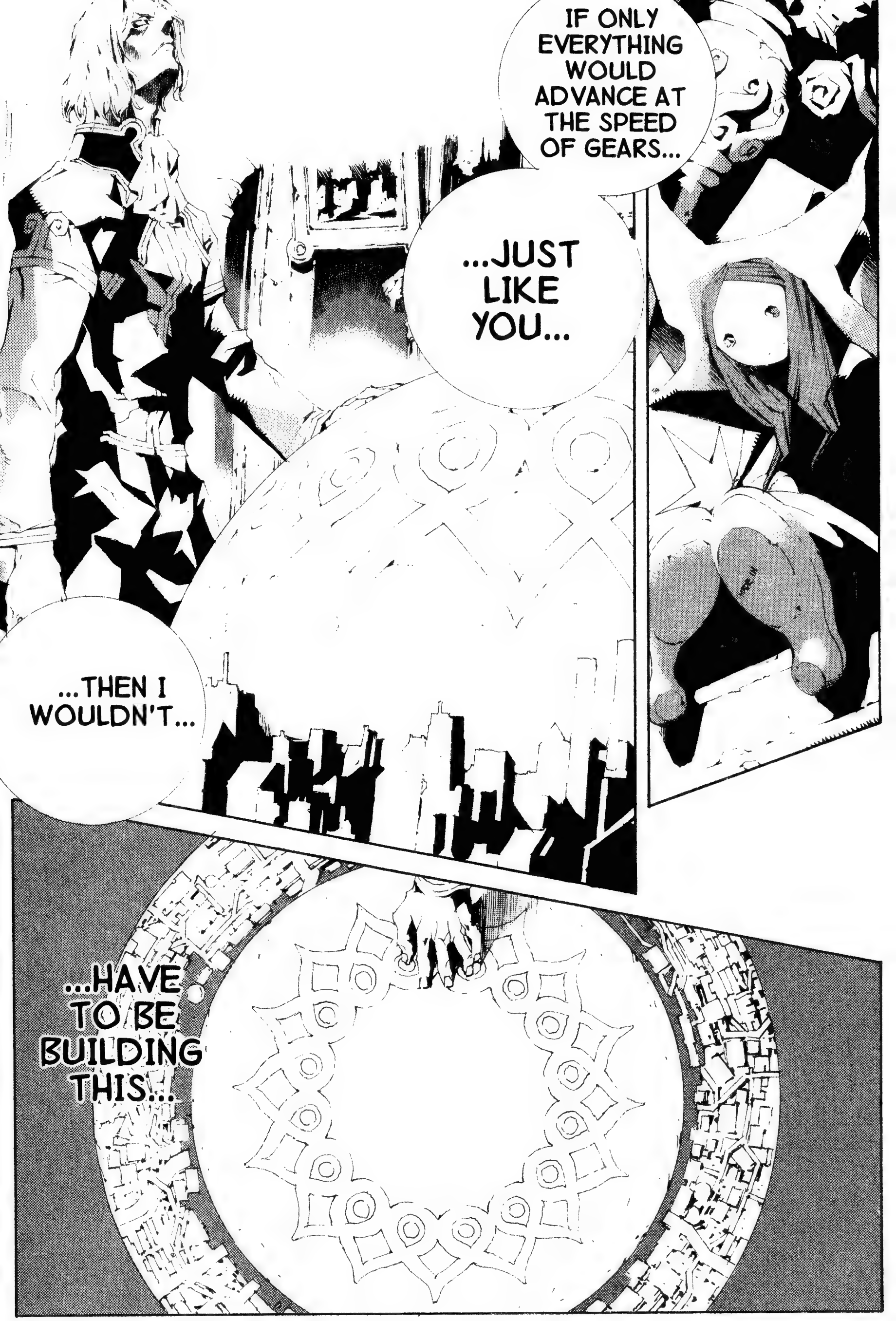
The poet had
already bought
them all up

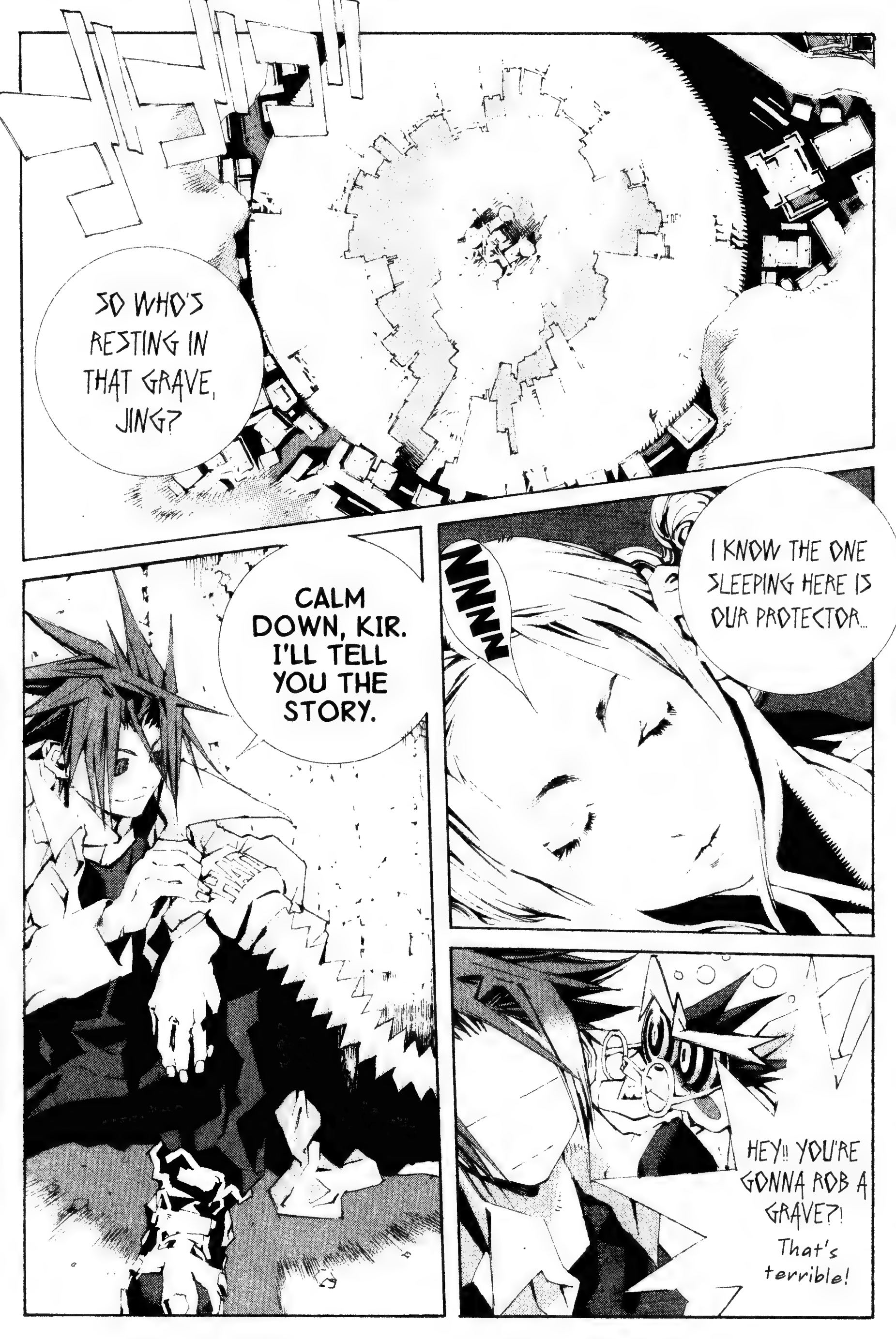
(Author Unknown)

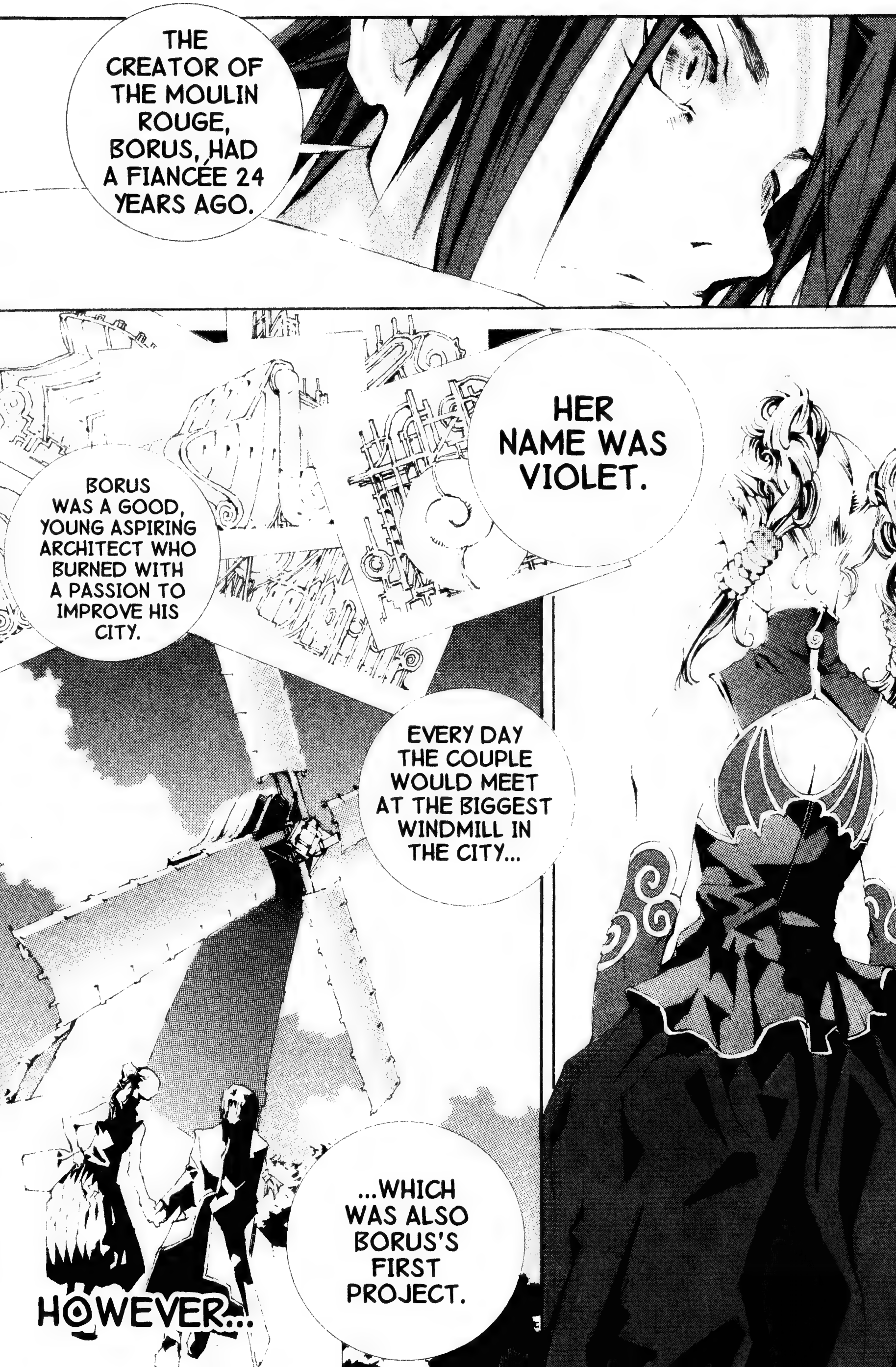
20th SHOT - Eternally Brokenhearted

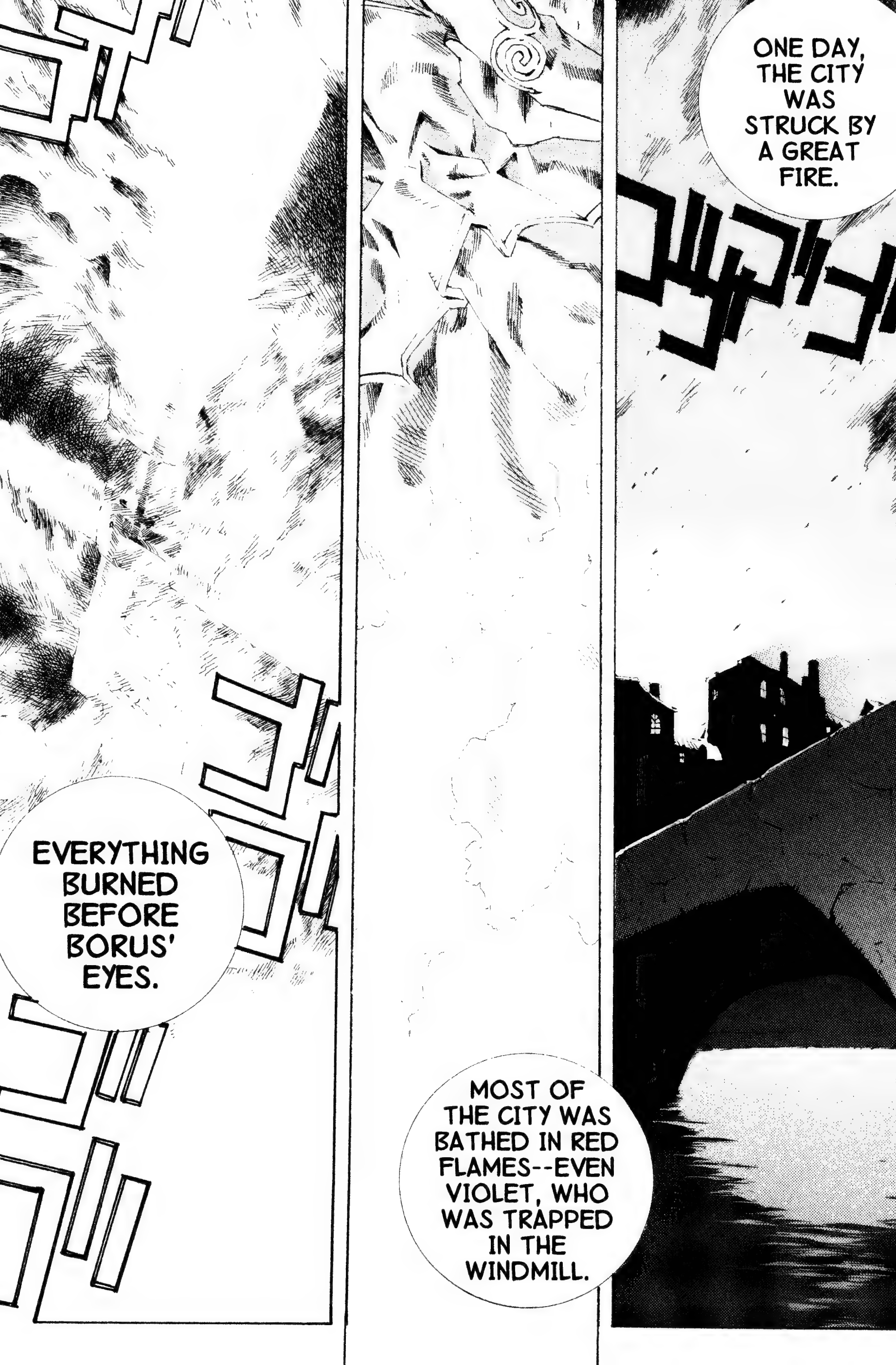

I HEAR ONE OF OUR TAX AGENTS MAY BE A TAX EVADER?
YESSIR! NOTHING HAS BEEN CONFIRMED AS OF YET, BUT THAT DOES SEEM TO BE THE CASE. THE FACT THAT SHE WAS IN A GROUP LOVE VENUE, COUPLED WITH CLEAR INDICATIONS IN FACIAL FEATURES AND MANNERISMS... I WITNESSED IT WITH MY OWN EYES AND CANNOT DENY THE FACTS. HOWEVER, AGENT ANISETTE SEEMED TO BE DENYING THIS, AND...
EITHER WAY, CAPTURE HER AND THE TAX-EVADING BOY AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.
JET 27!
Huh...
YES?!
THANK YOU FOR THE REPORT. KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK!
BZZT

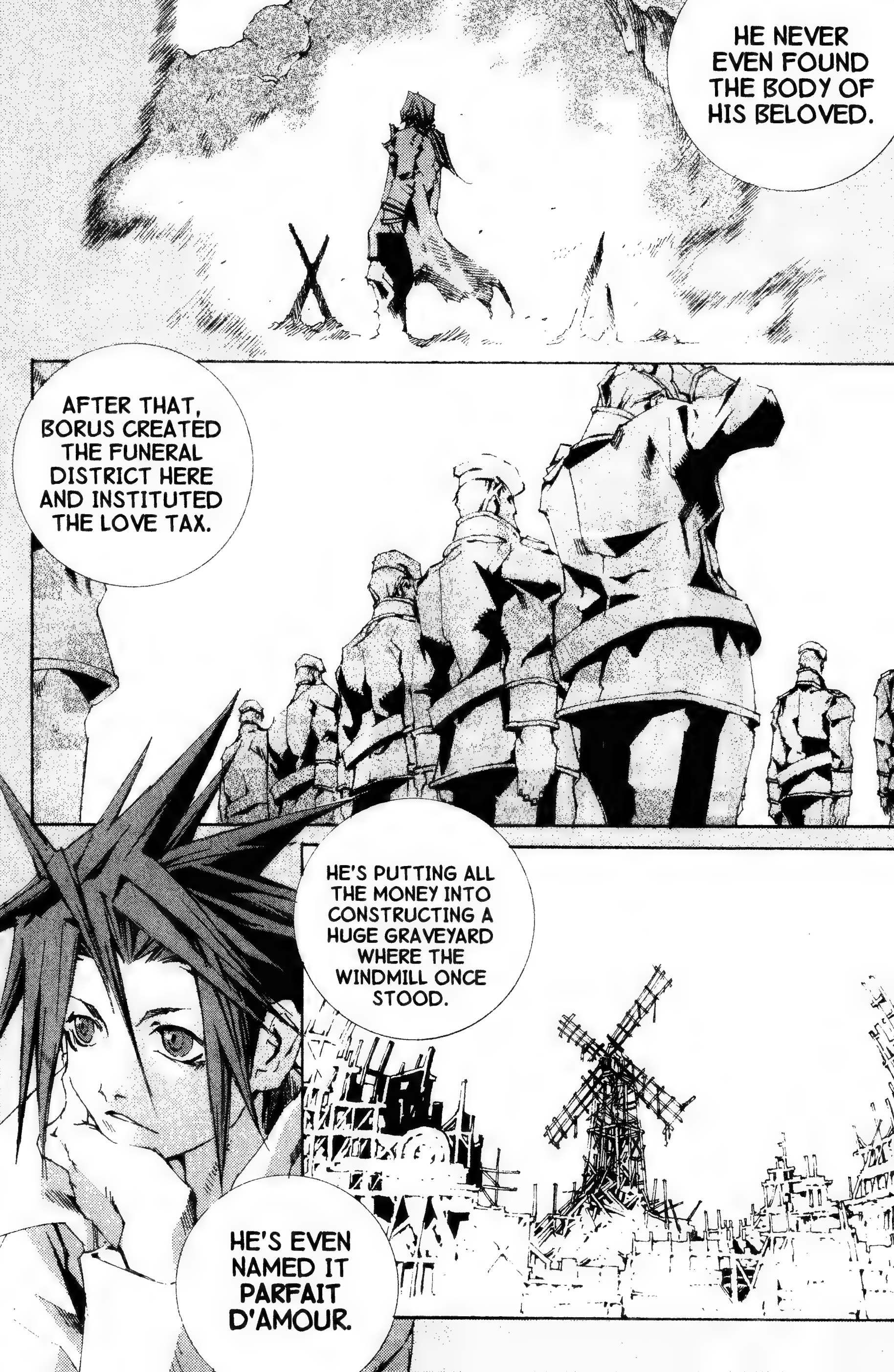

HUMANS SURE ARE MYSTERIOUS CREATURES, JET 27.
SKRT
CHIEF BORUS!
LIFE MOVES AT THE SPEED OF SOUND, BUT WE FALL IN LOVE AT THE SPEED OF LIGHT.
I'M JEALOUS THAT YOU AREN'T CONTROLLED BY LOVE.
TH- THAT'S...

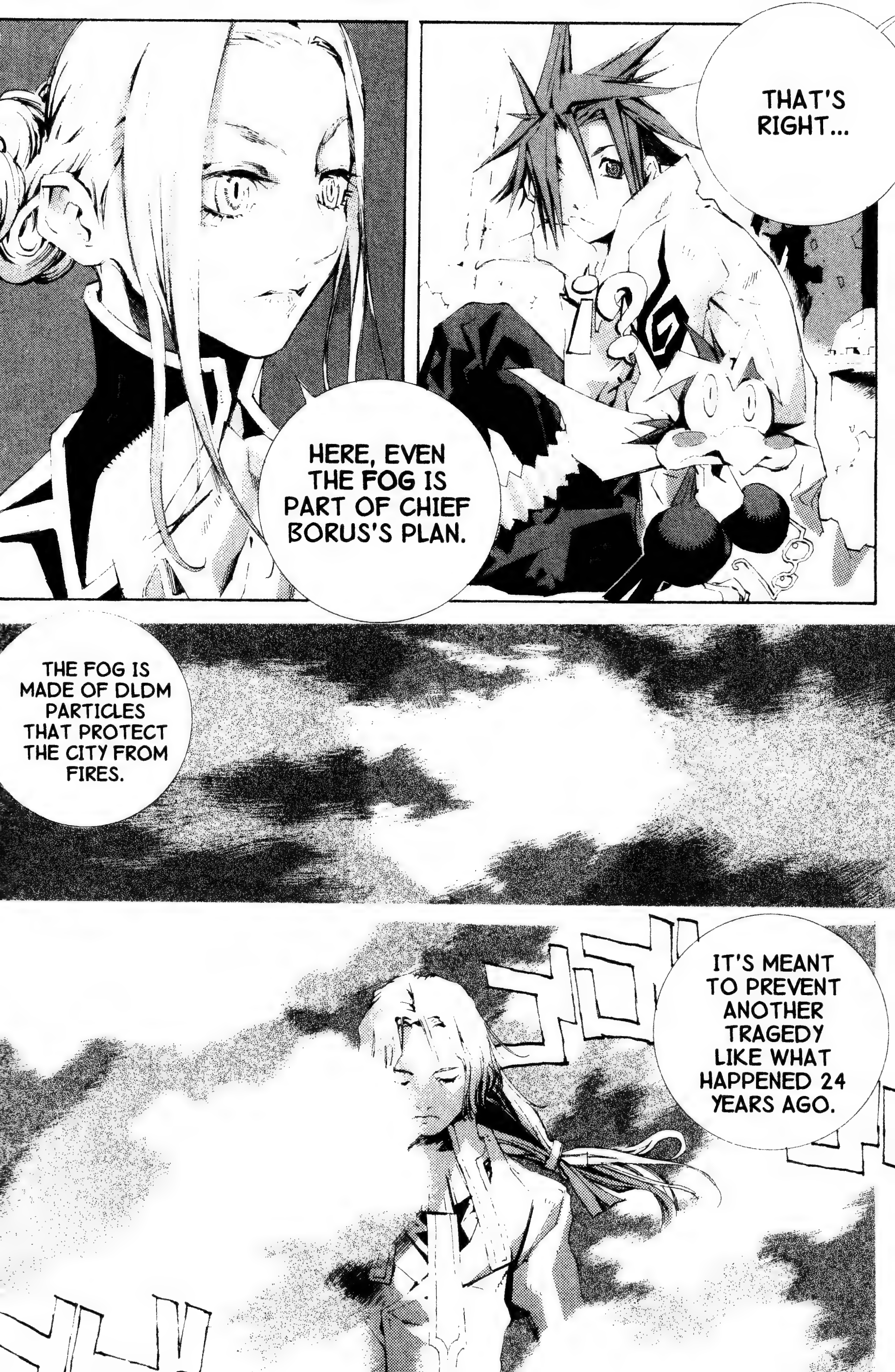

IF ONLY EVERYTHING WOULD ADVANCE AT THE SPEED OF GEARS...
...JUST LIKE YOU...
...THEN I WOULDN'T...
...HAVE TO BE BUILDING THIS...

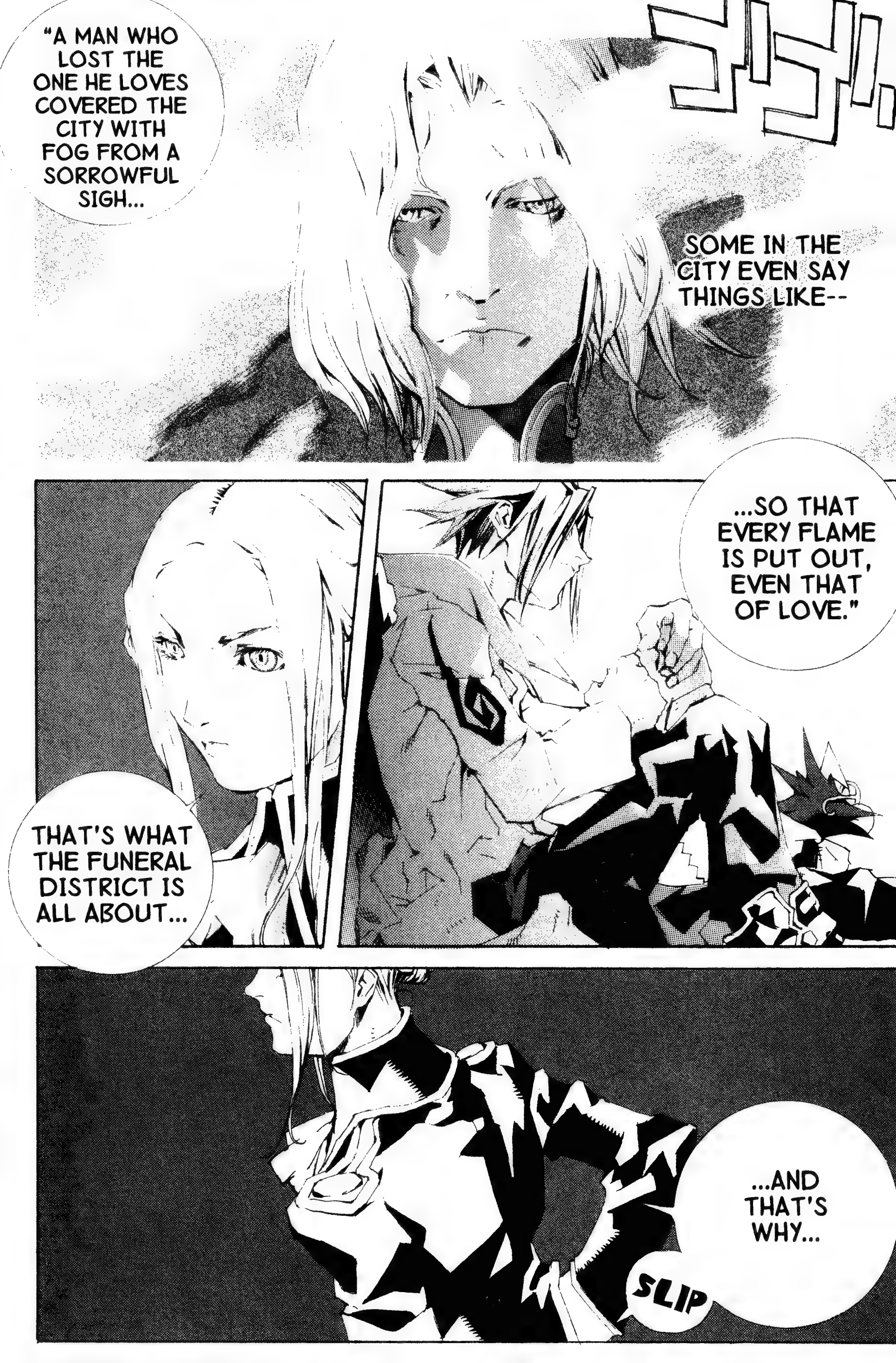

SO WHO'S RESTING IN THAT GRAVE, JING?
NNNN
I KNOW THE ONE SLEEPING HERE IS OUR PROTECTOR...
HEY!! YOU'RE GONNA ROB A GRAVE?! That's terrible!
CALM DOWN, KIR. I'LL TELL YOU THE STORY.


THE CREATOR OF THE MOULIN ROUGE, BORUS, HAD A FIANCÉE 24 YEARS AGO.
BORUS WAS A GOOD, YOUNG ASPIRING ARCHITECT WHO BURNED WITH A PASSION TO IMPROVE HIS CITY.
HER NAME WAS VIOLET.
EVERY DAY THE COUPLE WOULD MEET AT THE BIGGEST WINDMILL IN THE CITY...
...WHICH WAS ALSO BORUS'S FIRST PROJECT.
HOWEVER...


ONE DAY, THE CITY WAS STRUCK BY A GREAT FIRE.
MOST OF THE CITY WAS BATHED IN RED FLAMES--EVEN VIOLET, WHO WAS TRAPPED IN THE WINDMILL.
EVERYTHING BURNED BEFORE BORUS' EYES.


HE NEVER EVEN FOUND THE BODY OF HIS BELOVED.
AFTER THAT, BORUS CREATED THE FUNERAL DISTRICT HERE AND INSTITUTED THE LOVE TAX.
HE'S PUTTING ALL THE MONEY INTO CONSTRUCTING A HUGE GRAVEYARD WHERE THE WINDMILL ONCE STOOD.
HE'S EVEN NAMED IT PARFAIT D'AMOUR.


THAT'S RIGHT...
HERE, EVEN THE FOG IS PART OF CHIEF BORUS'S PLAN.
THE FOG IS MADE OF DLDM PARTICLES THAT PROTECT THE CITY FROM FIRES.
IT'S MEANT TO PREVENT ANOTHER TRAGEDY LIKE WHAT HAPPENED 24 YEARS AGO.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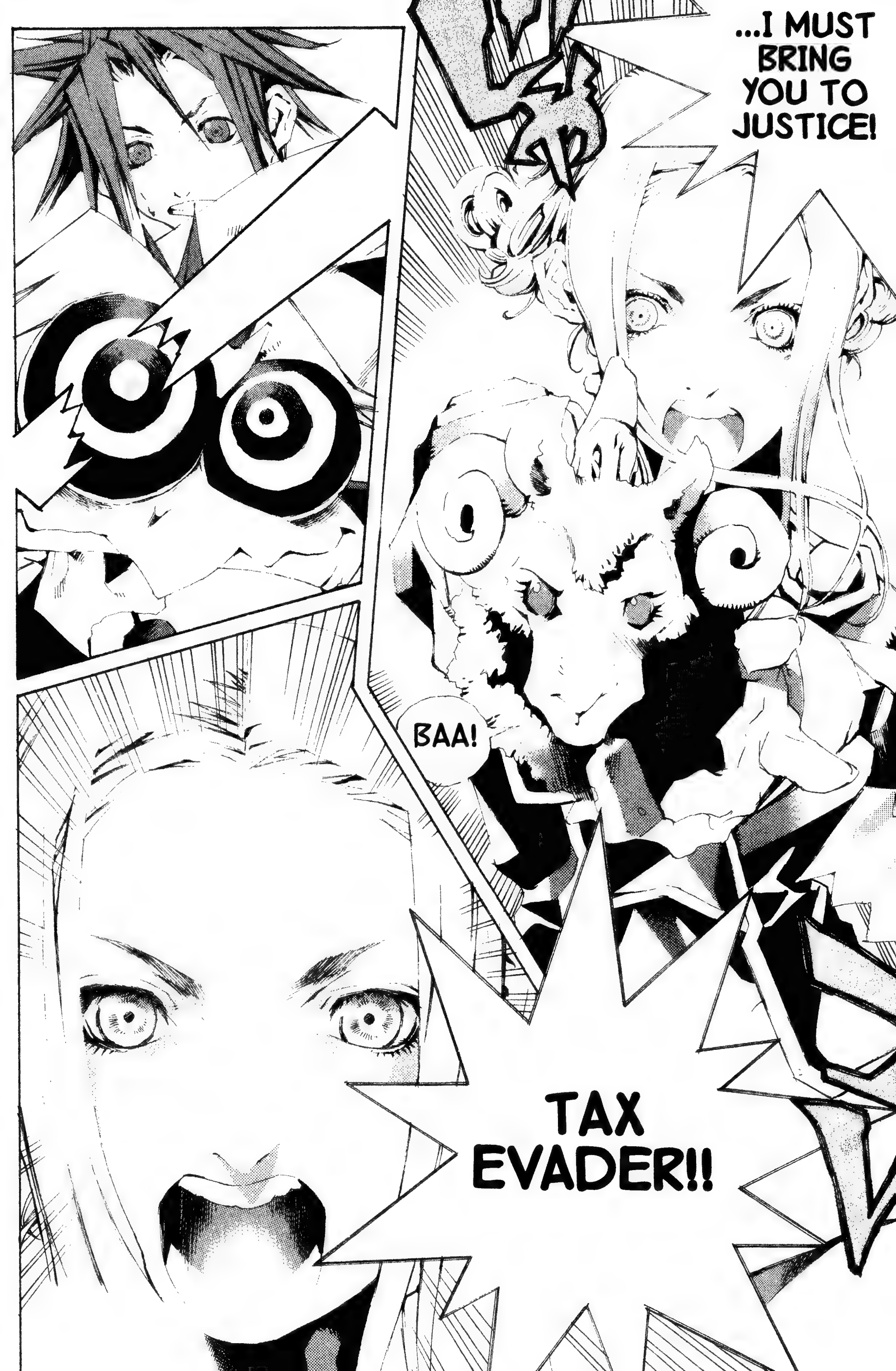
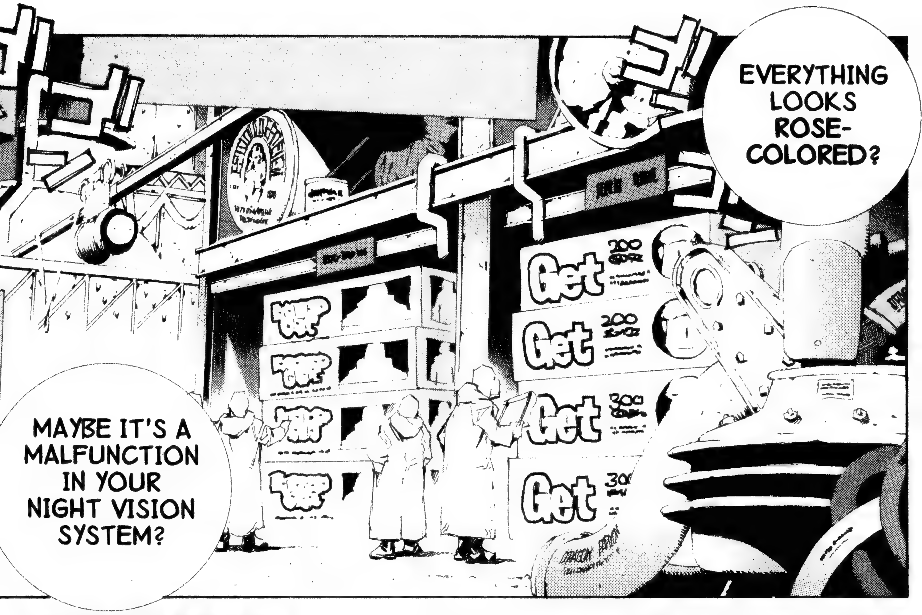
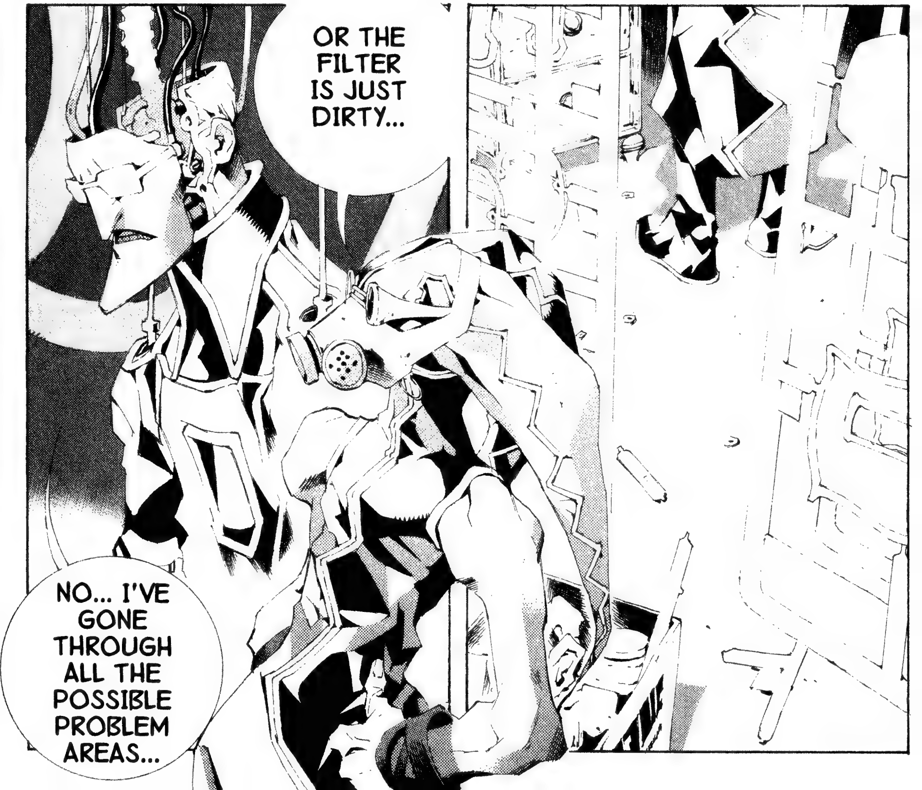
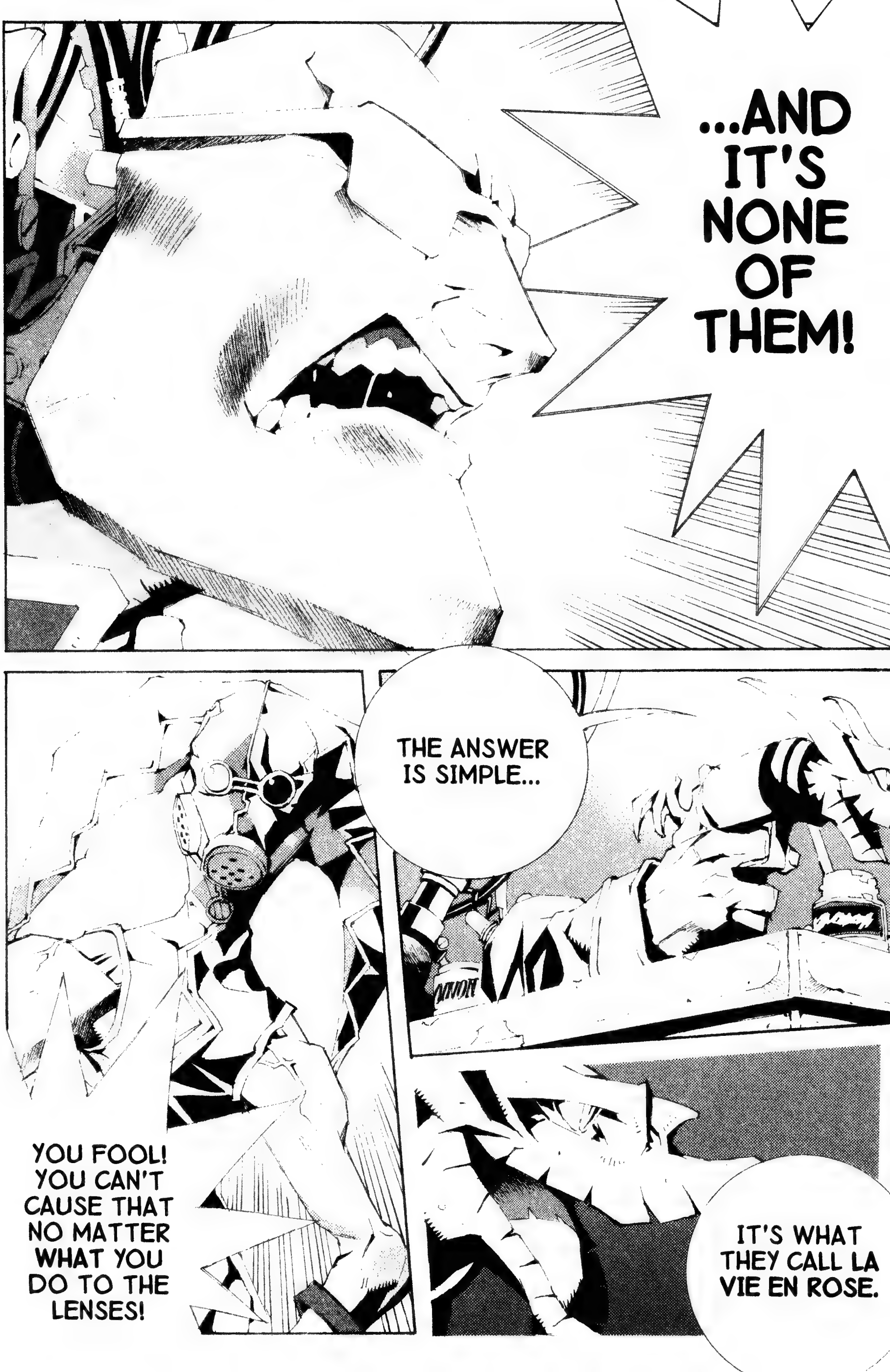
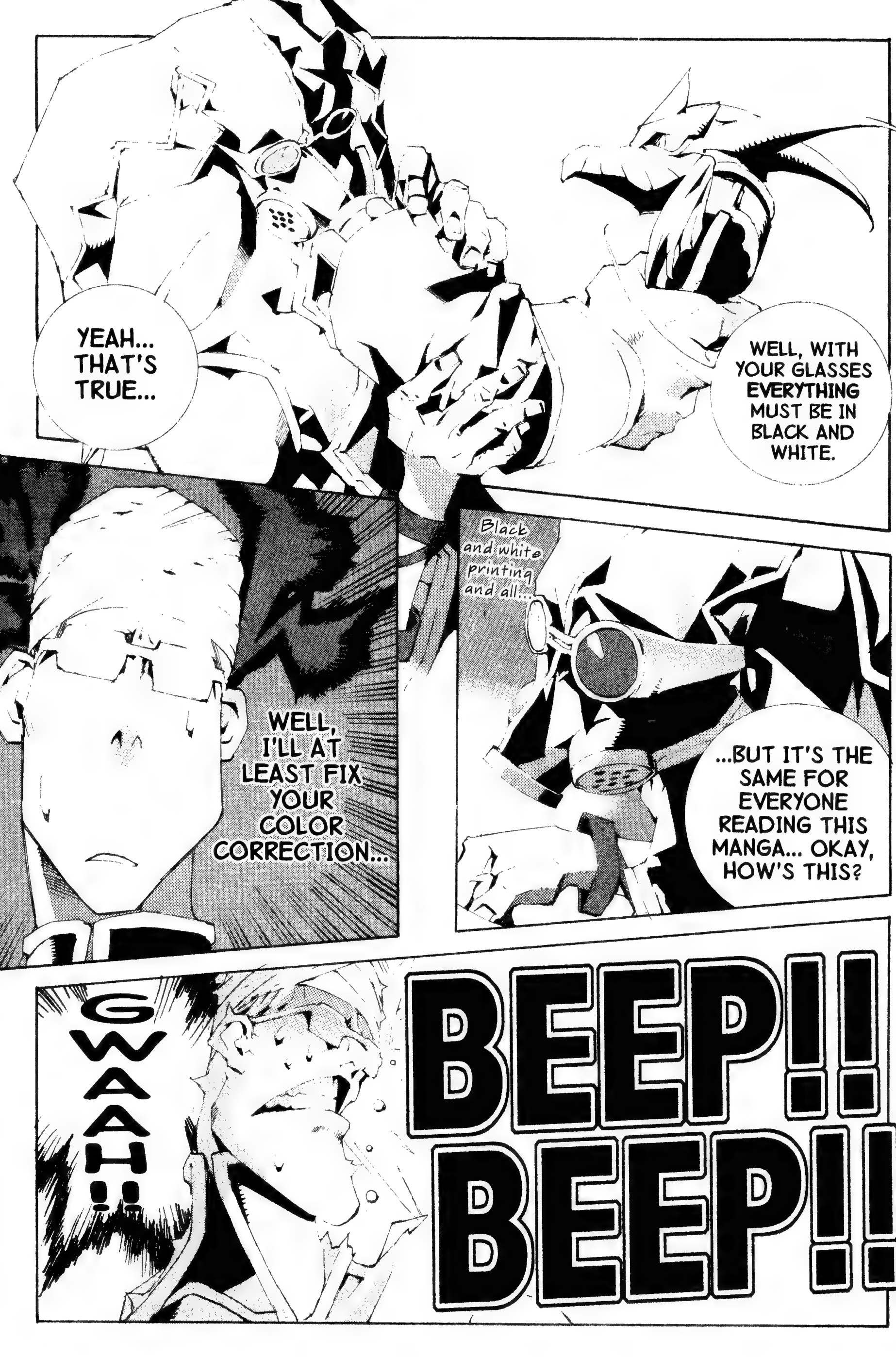
SOME IN THE CITY EVEN SAY THINGS LIKE--
"A MAN WHO LOST THE ONE HE LOVES COVERED THE CITY WITH FOG FROM A SORROWFUL SIGH...
...SO THAT EVERY FLAME IS PUT OUT, EVEN THAT OF LOVE."
THAT'S WHAT THE FUNERAL DISTRICT IS ALL ABOUT...
...AND THAT'S WHY...
SLIP

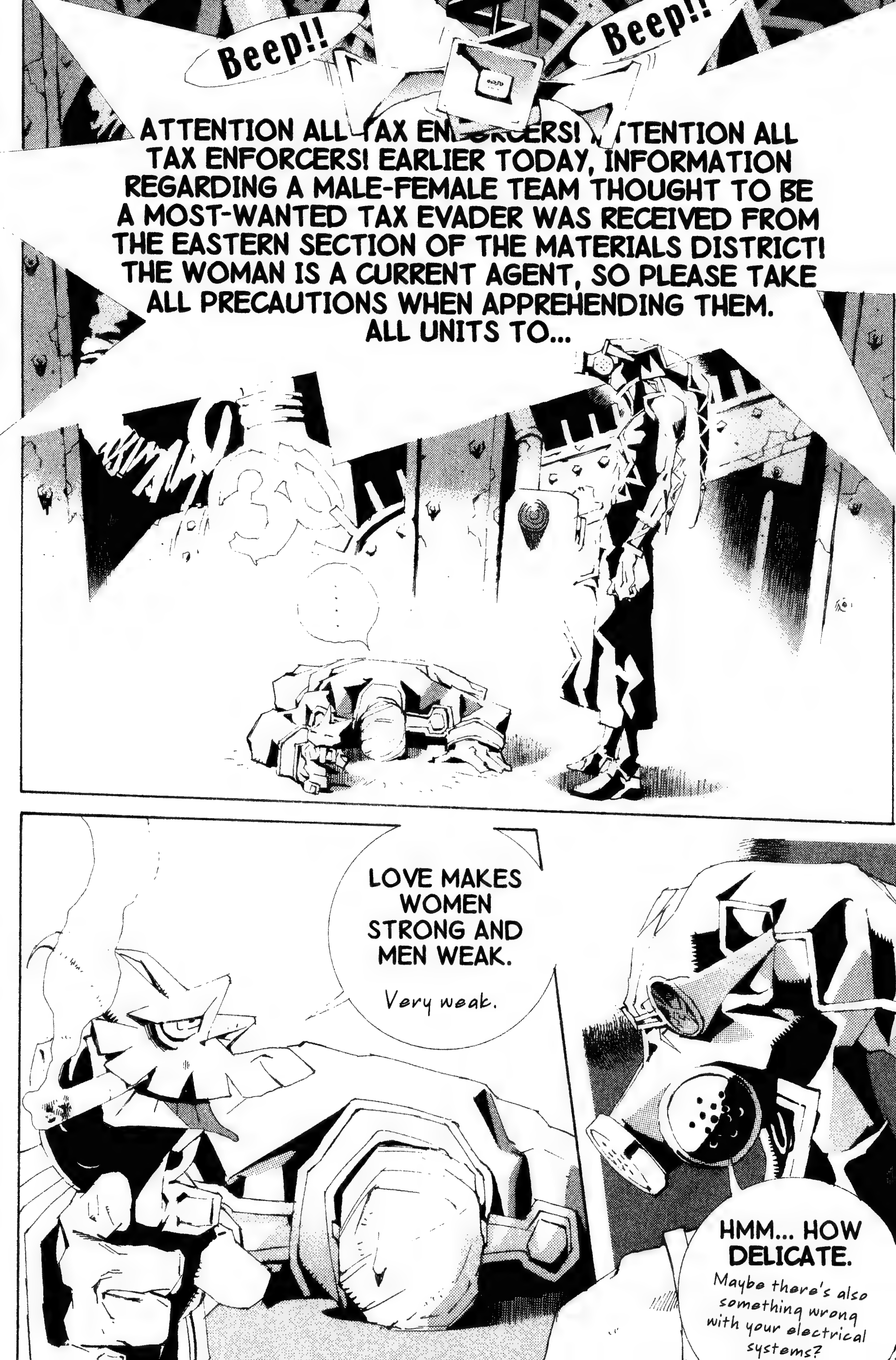

...I MUST BRING YOU TO JUSTICE!
BAA!
TAX EVADER!!

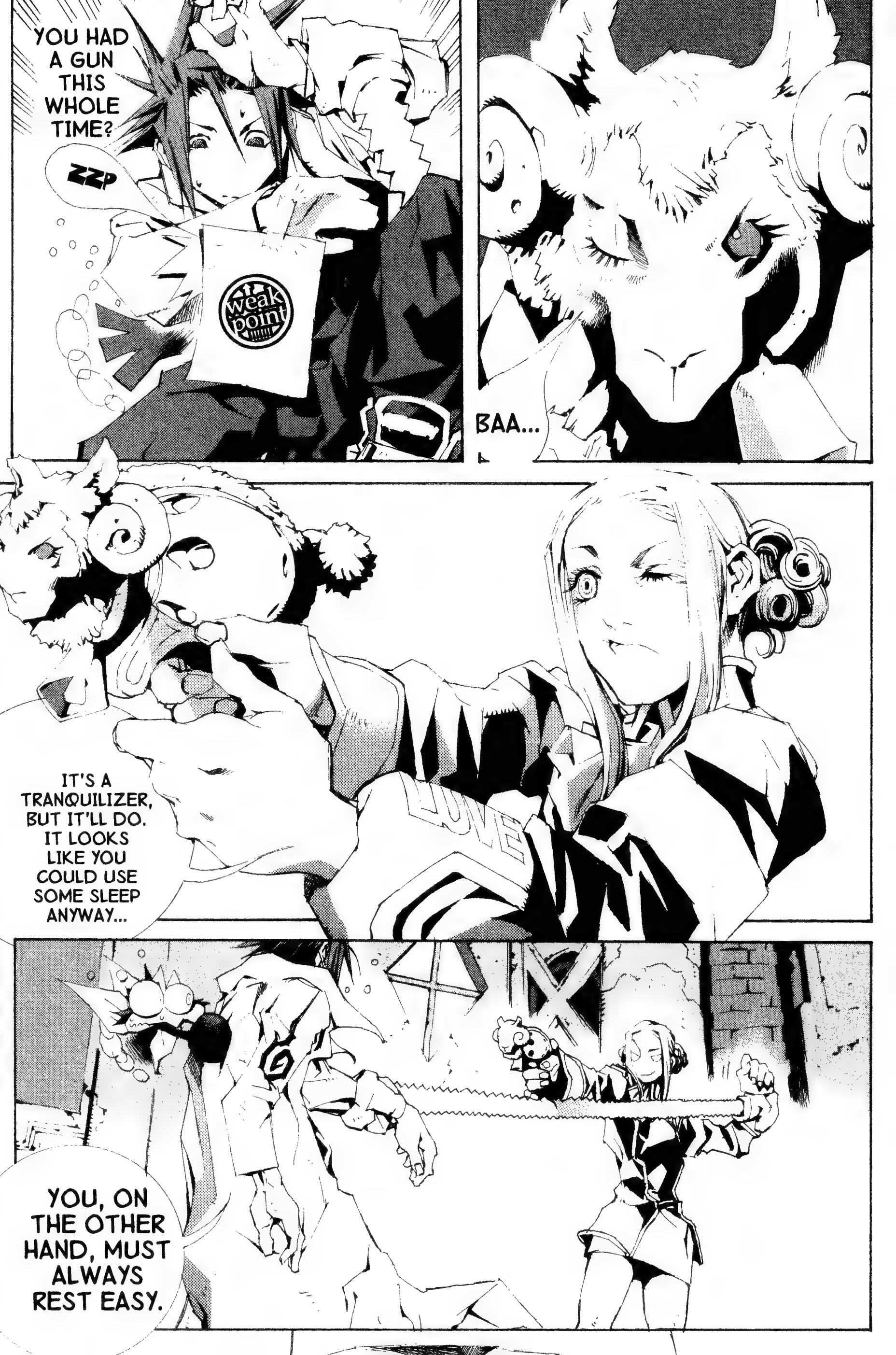

EVERYTHING LOOKS ROSE-COLORED?
MAYBE IT'S A MALFUNCTION IN YOUR NIGHT VISION SYSTEM?
Get 200
Get 200
Get 300
Get
DRAGON

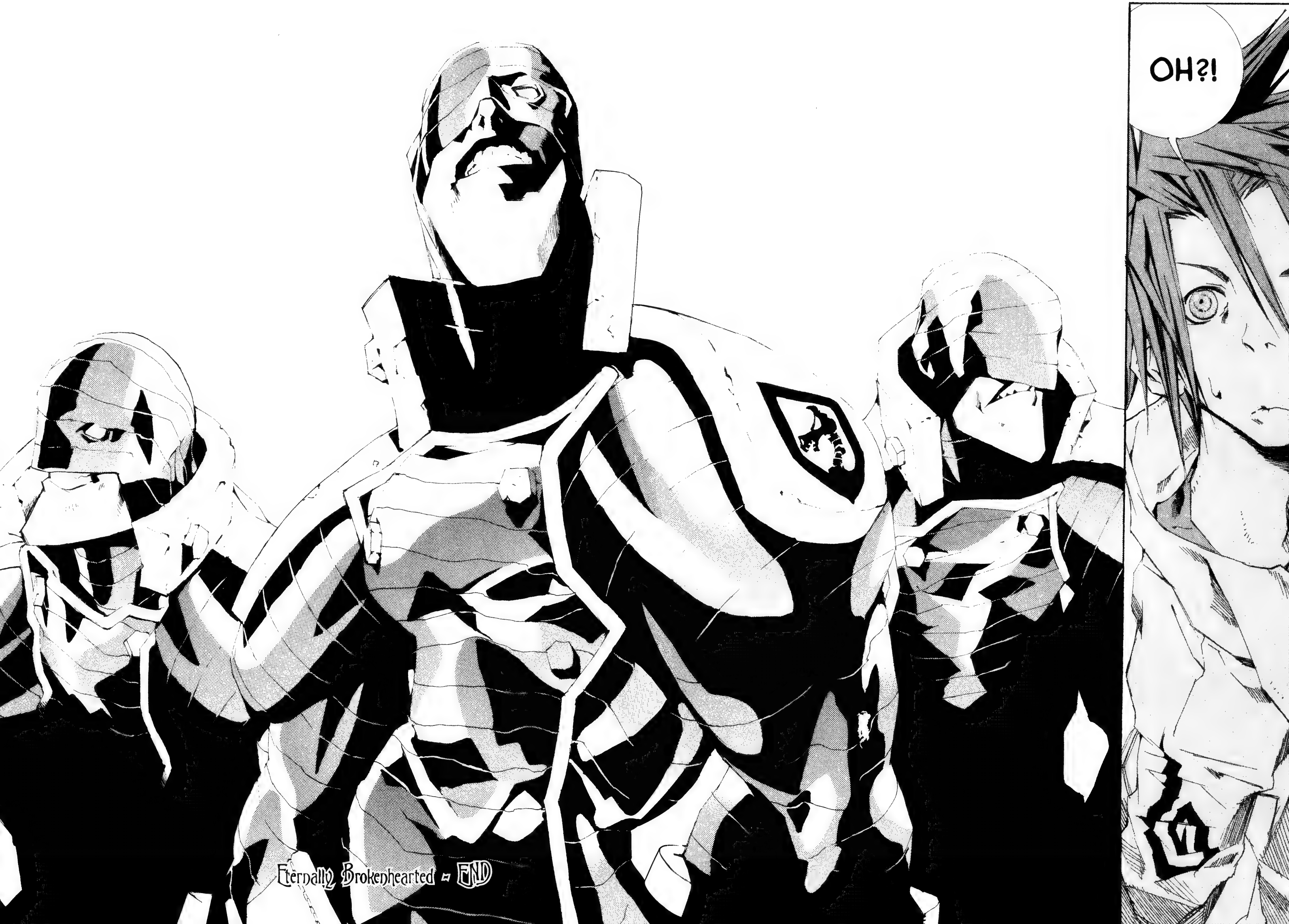

OR THE FILTER IS JUST DIRTY...
NO... I'VE GONE THROUGH ALL THE POSSIBLE PROBLEM AREAS...


...AND IT'S NONE OF THEM!
THE ANSWER IS SIMPLE...
IT'S WHAT THEY CALL LA VIE EN ROSE.
YOU FOOL! YOU CAN'T CAUSE THAT NO MATTER WHAT YOU DO TO THE LENSES!


WELL, WITH YOUR GLASSES EVERYTHING MUST BE IN BLACK AND WHITE.
YEAH... THAT'S TRUE...
WELL, I'LL AT LEAST FIX YOUR COLOR CORRECTION...
Black and white printing and all...
...BUT IT'S THE SAME FOR EVERYONE READING THIS MANGA... OKAY, HOW'S THIS?
BEEP!! BEEP!!
GWAH!!

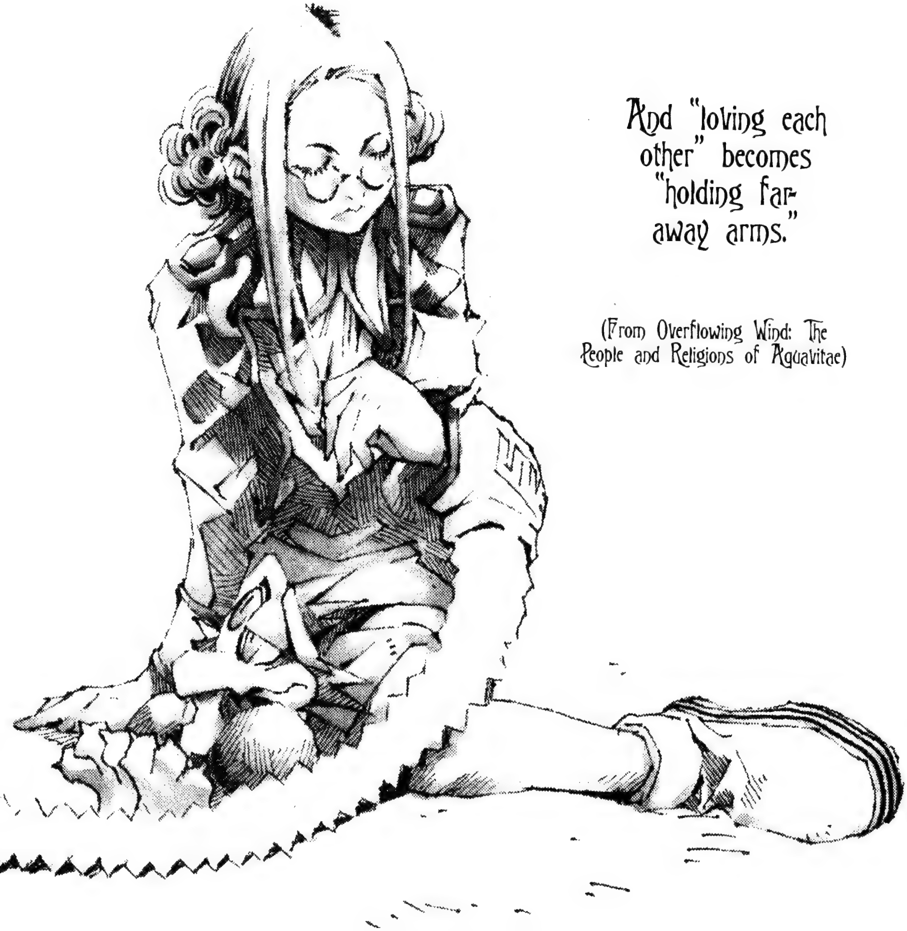

Beep!!
Beep!!
ATTENTION ALL TAX ENFORCERS! ATTENTION ALL TAX ENFORCERS! EARLIER TODAY, INFORMATION REGARDING A MALE-FEMALE TEAM THOUGHT TO BE A MOST-WANTED TAX EVADER WAS RECEIVED FROM THE EASTERN SECTION OF THE MATERIALS DISTRICT! THE WOMAN IS A CURRENT AGENT, SO PLEASE TAKE ALL PRECAUTIONS WHEN APPREHENDING THEM. ALL UNITS TO...
...
LOVE MAKES WOMEN STRONG AND MEN WEAK. Very weak.
HMM... HOW DELICATE. Maybe there's also something wrong with your electrical systems?


YOU HAD A GUN THIS WHOLE TIME?
ZZP
weak point
BAA...
IT'S A TRANQUILIZER, BUT IT'LL DO. IT LOOKS LIKE YOU COULD USE SOME SLEEP ANYWAY...
LOVE
YOU, ON THE OTHER HAND, MUST ALWAYS REST EASY.


OH?!
Eternally Brokenhearted ◇ END

...meanwhile, the Highhatto clan, who lives in the northeast of Aguavitae, are only allowed to learn 212 vocabulary words due to a strict law. (This is the same amount as the number of gods they believe in.) Because of this, they must be creative when referring to anything complicated.

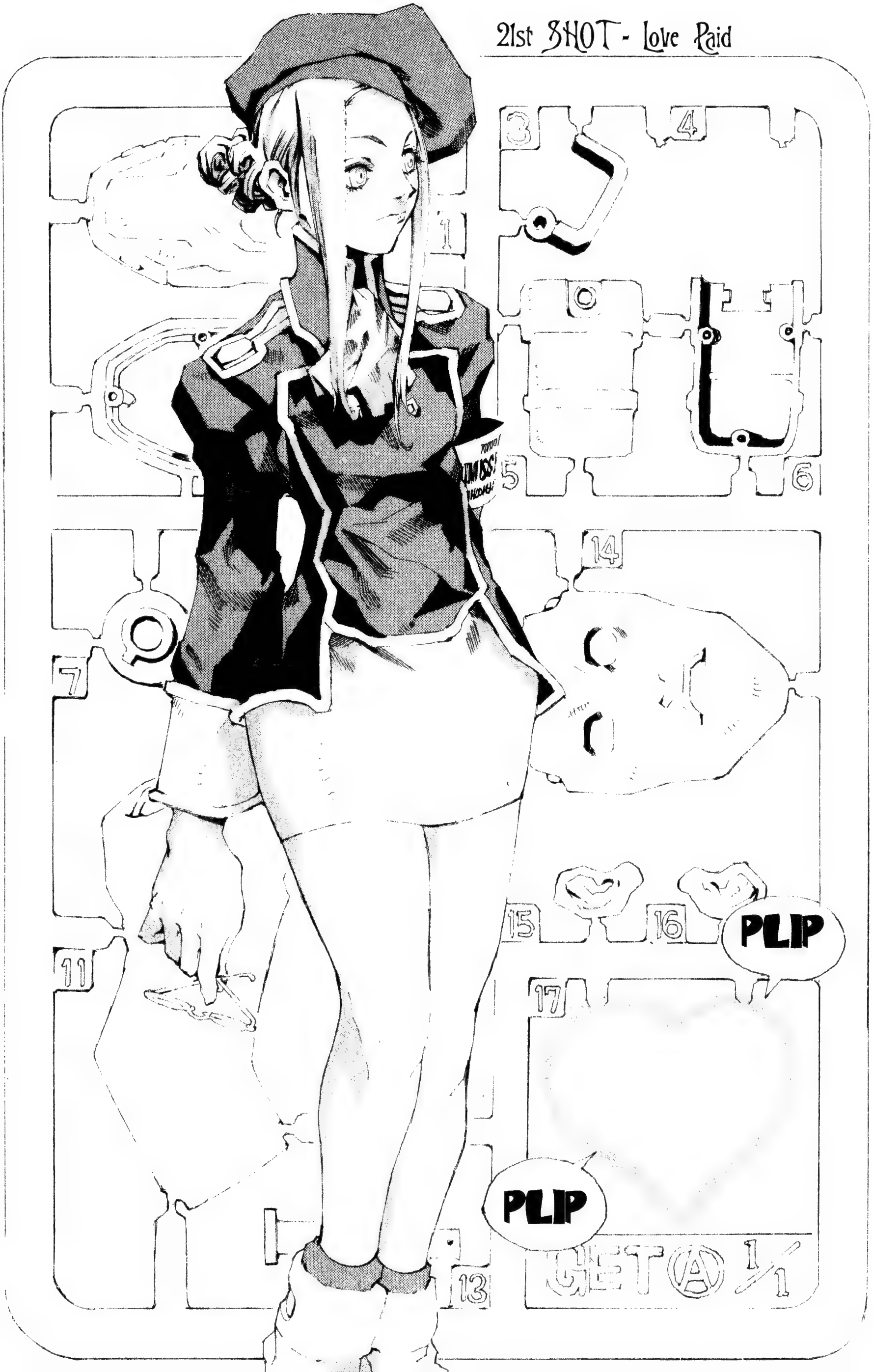
For example, a "speech" is "deep singing," and "harvest" is expressed as "cry and cut."



And "loving each other" becomes "holding far-away arms."

(From Overflowing Wind: The People and Religions of Aguavitae)

21st SHOT - Love Paid


3
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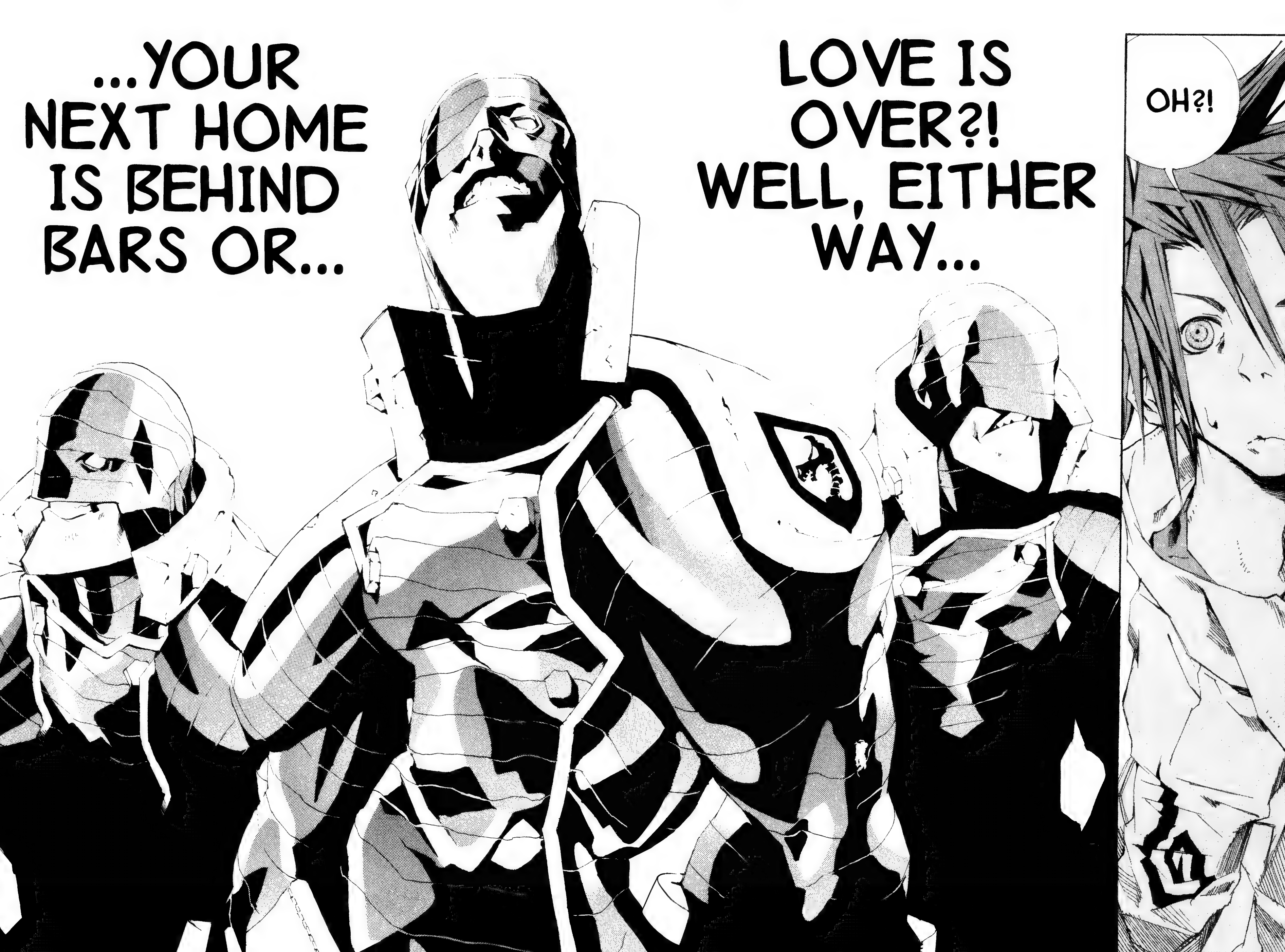
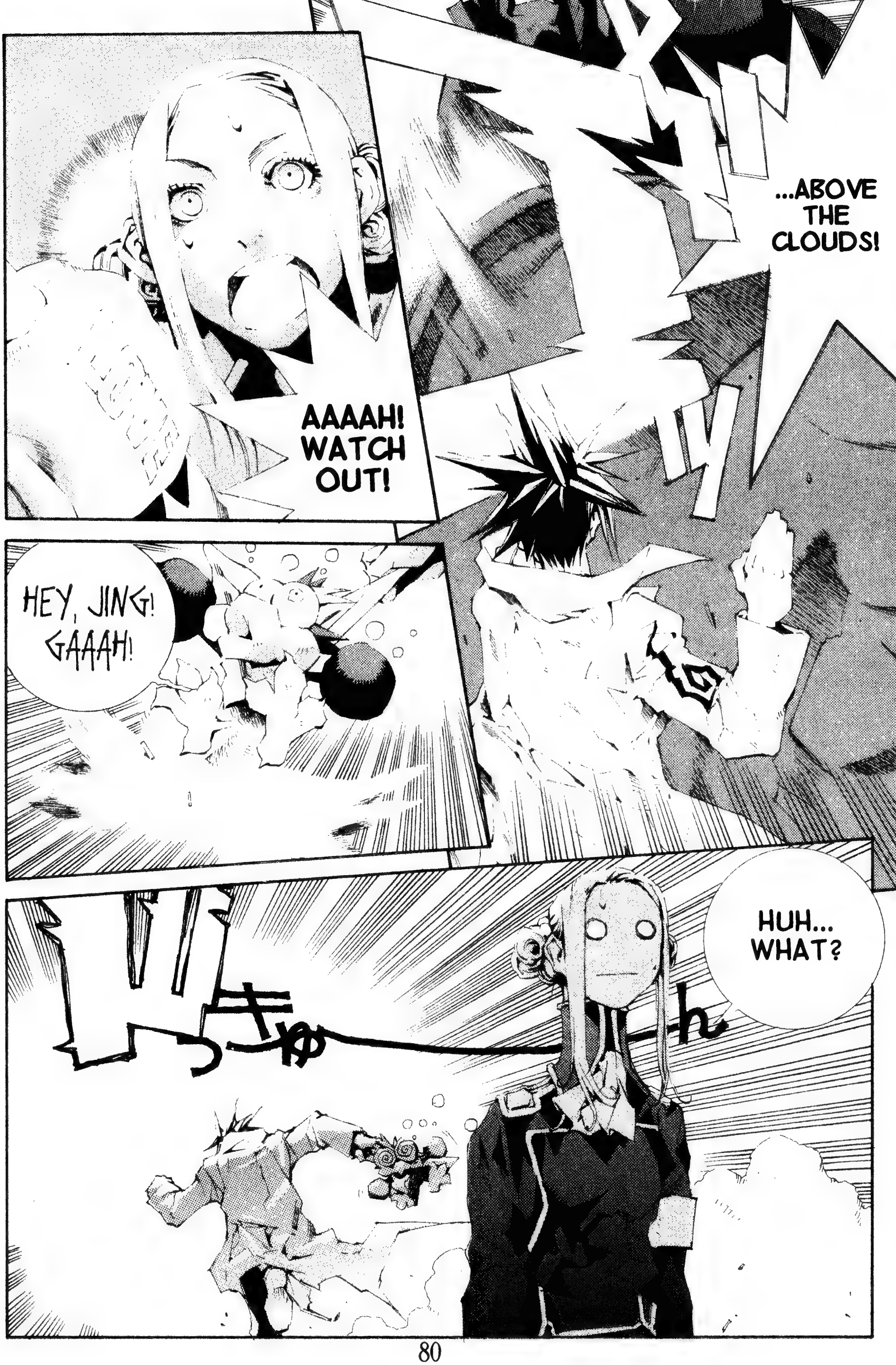
PLIP
11
17
PLIP
13
GET A 1/1


OH?!
LOVE IS OVER?! WELL, EITHER WAY...
...YOUR NEXT HOME IS BEHIND BARS OR...


...ABOVE THE CLOUDS!
AAAAH! WATCH OUT!
HEY, JING! GAAAH!
HUH... WHAT?
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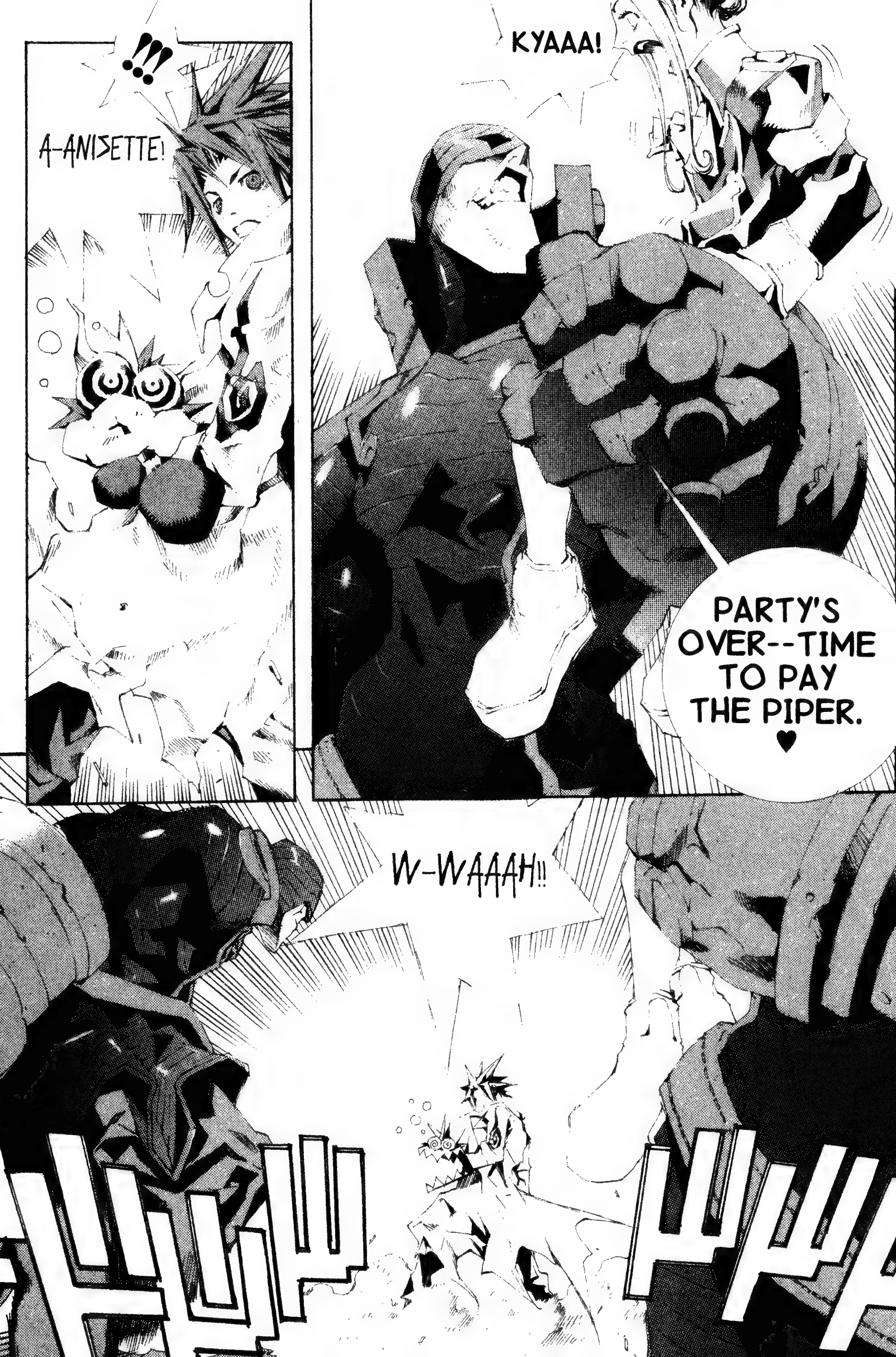
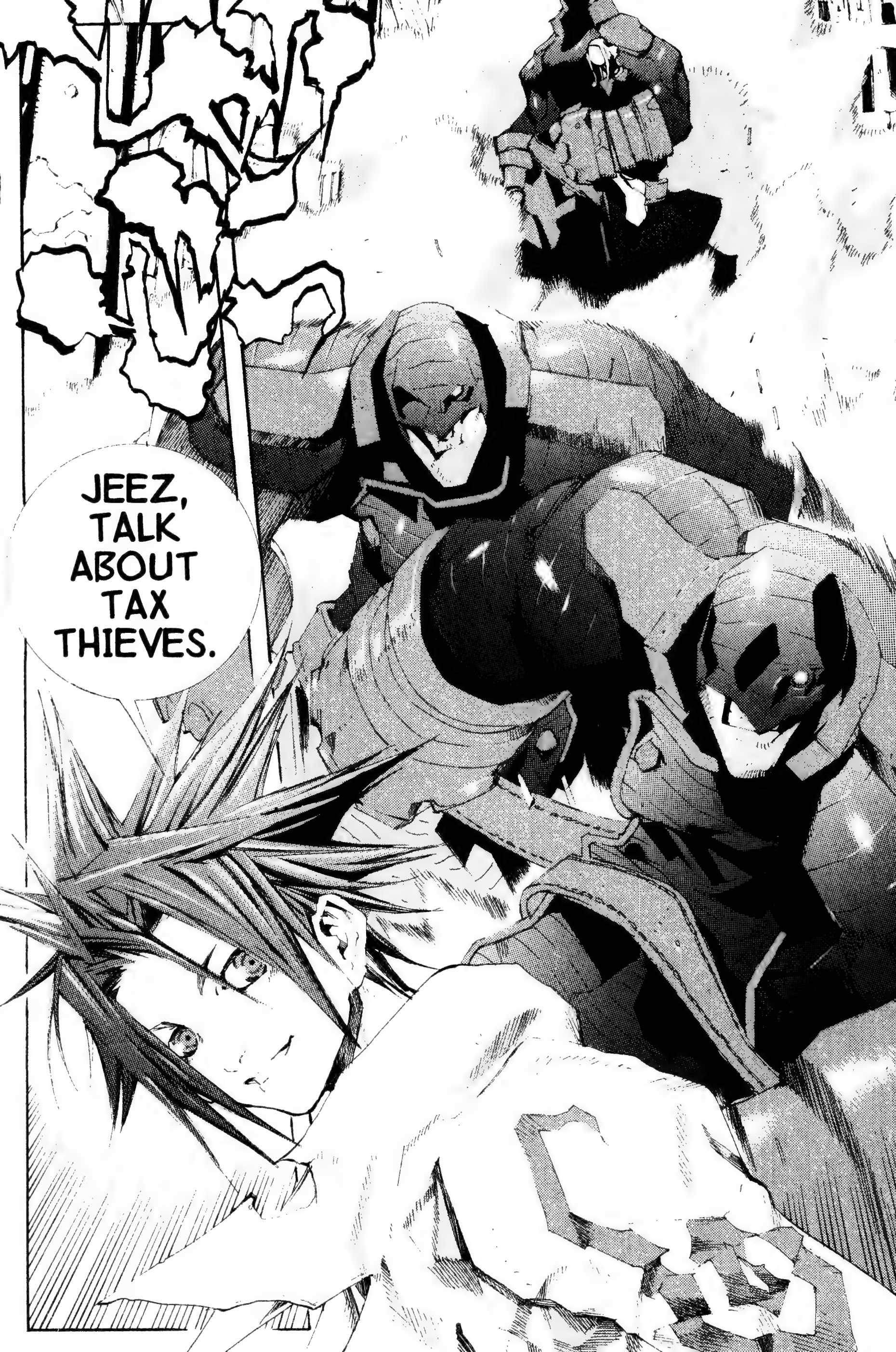
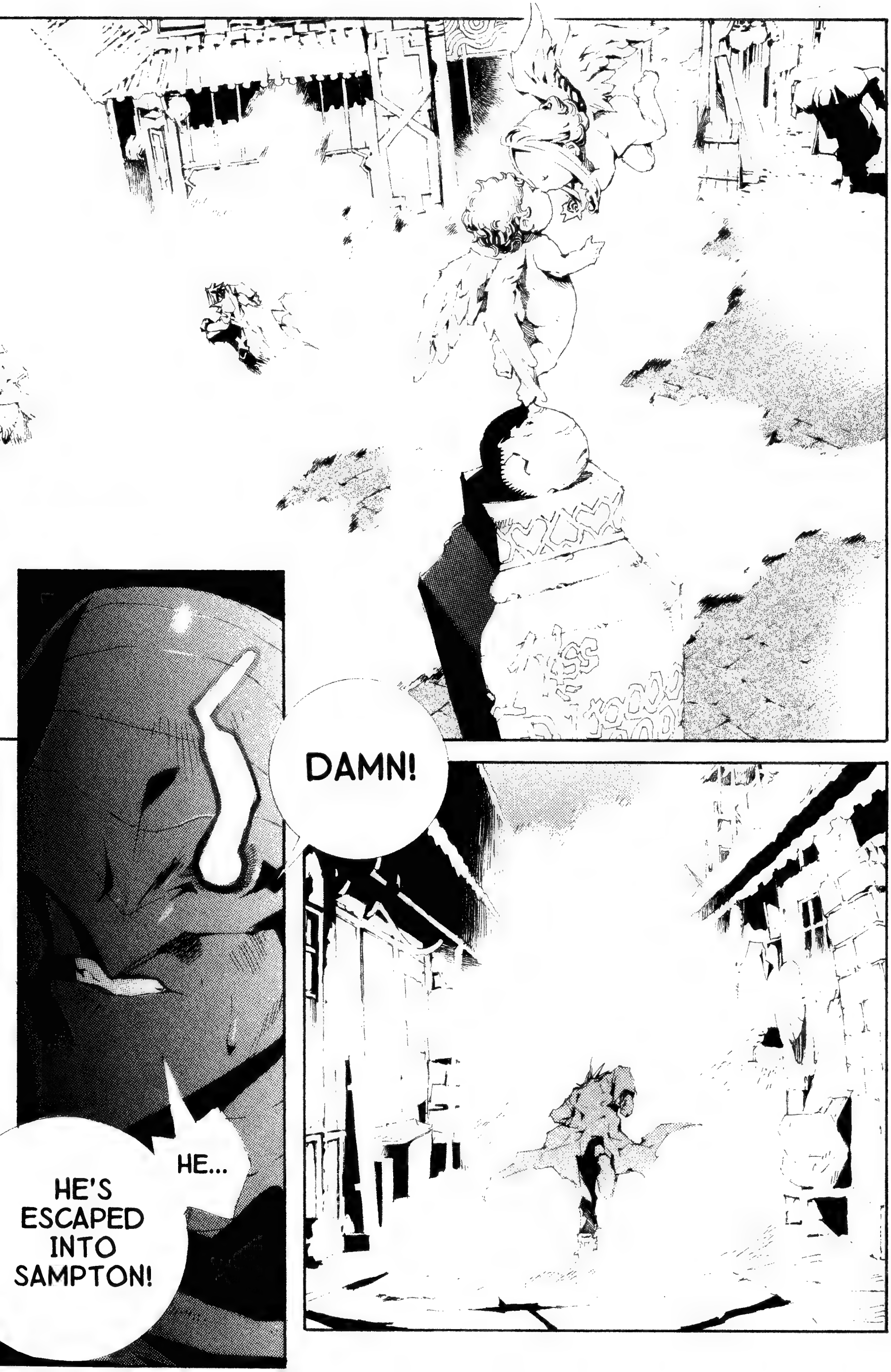
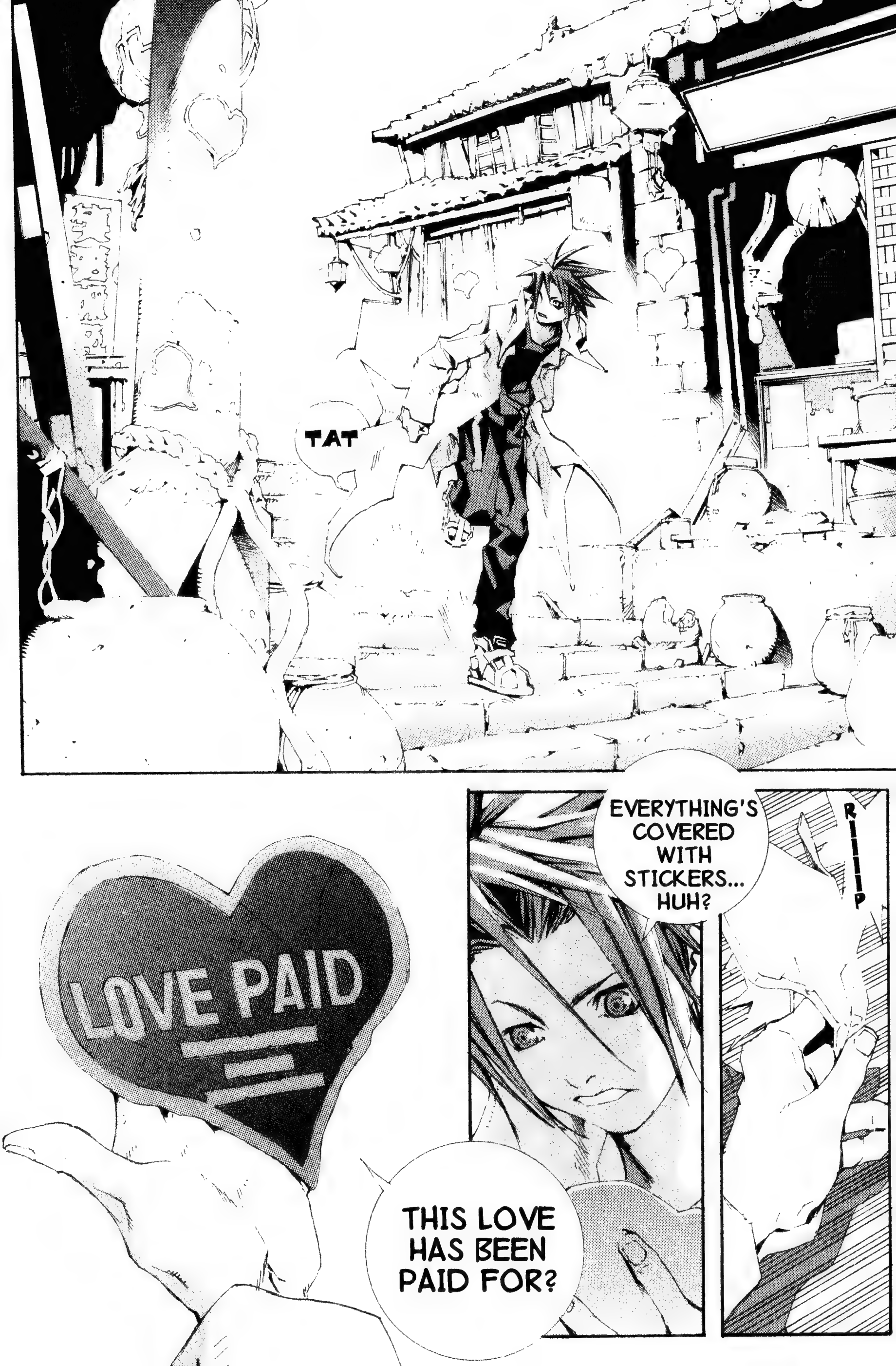
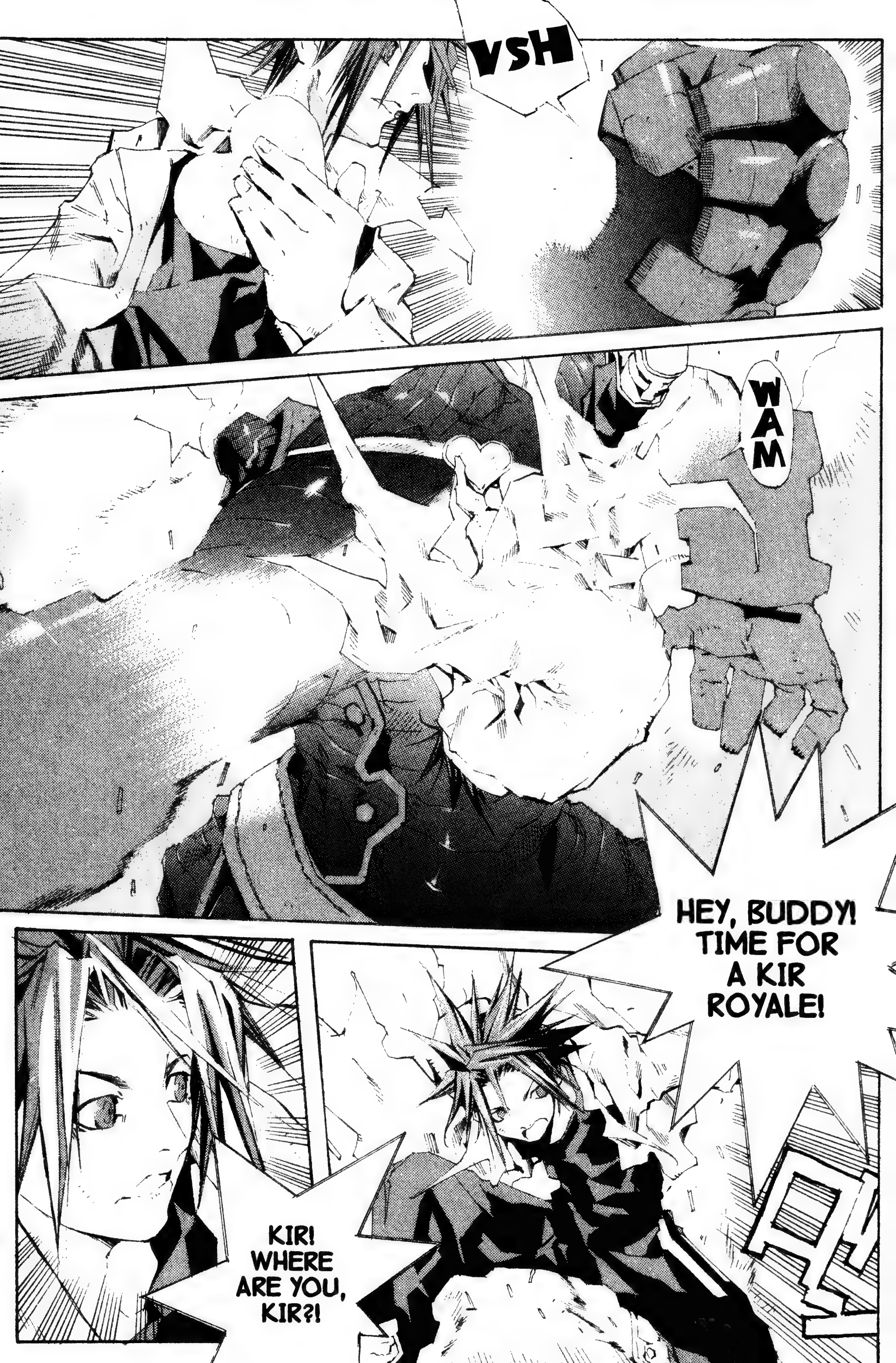
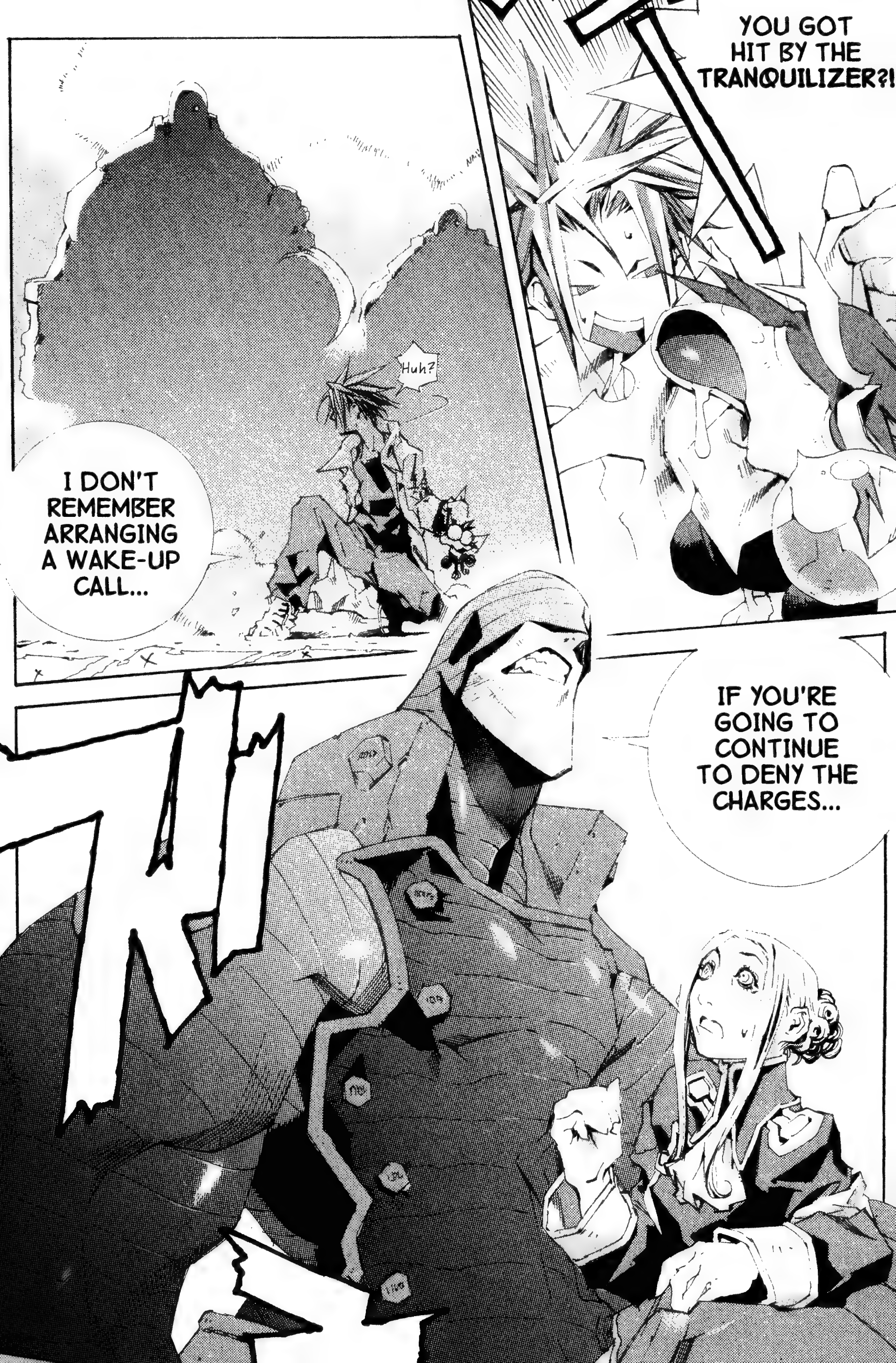

KYAAA!
PARTY'S OVER--TIME TO PAY THE PIPER. ♥
!!!
A-ANISETTE!
W-WAAAH!!

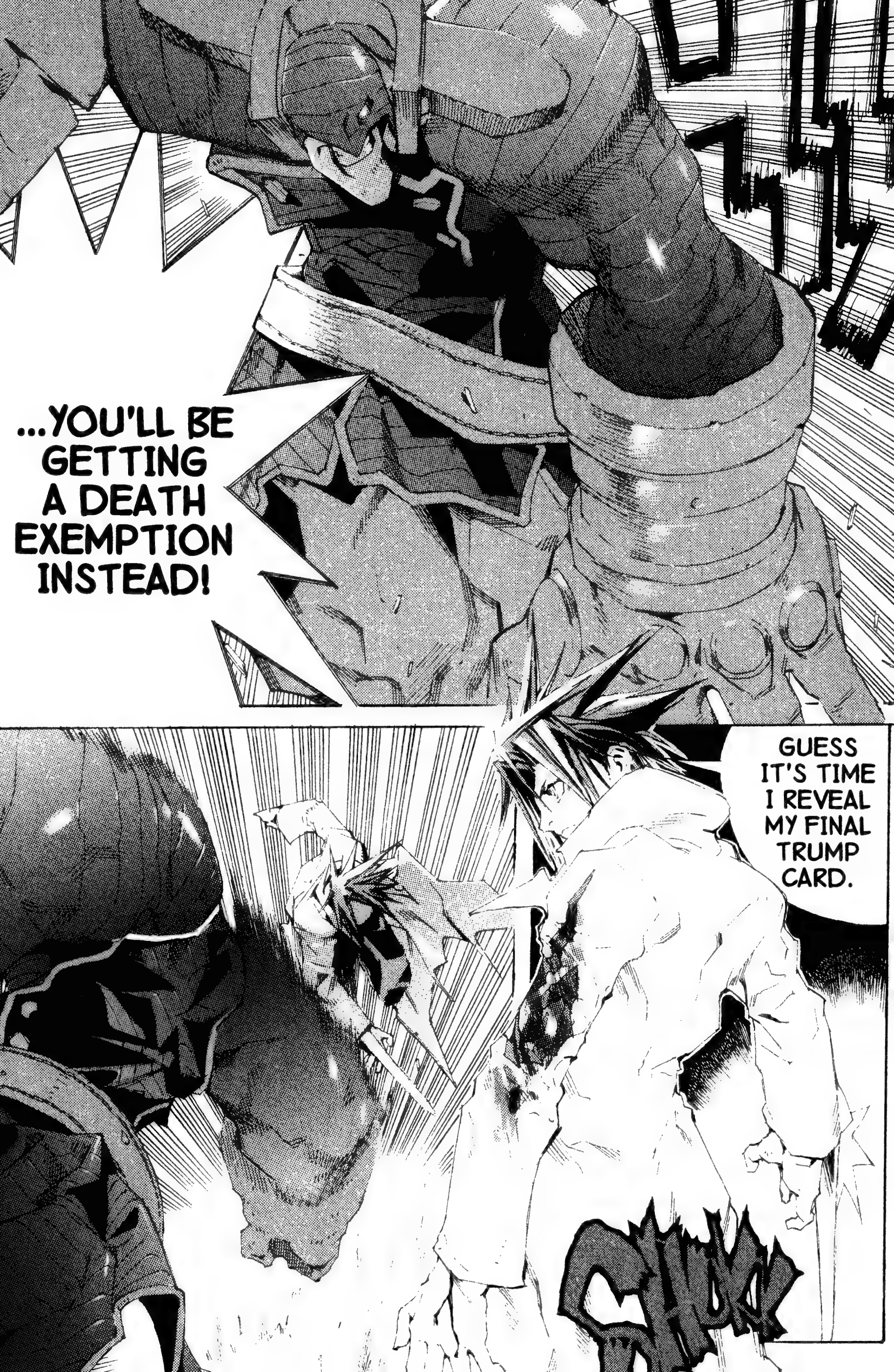

JEEZ, TALK ABOUT TAX THIEVES.

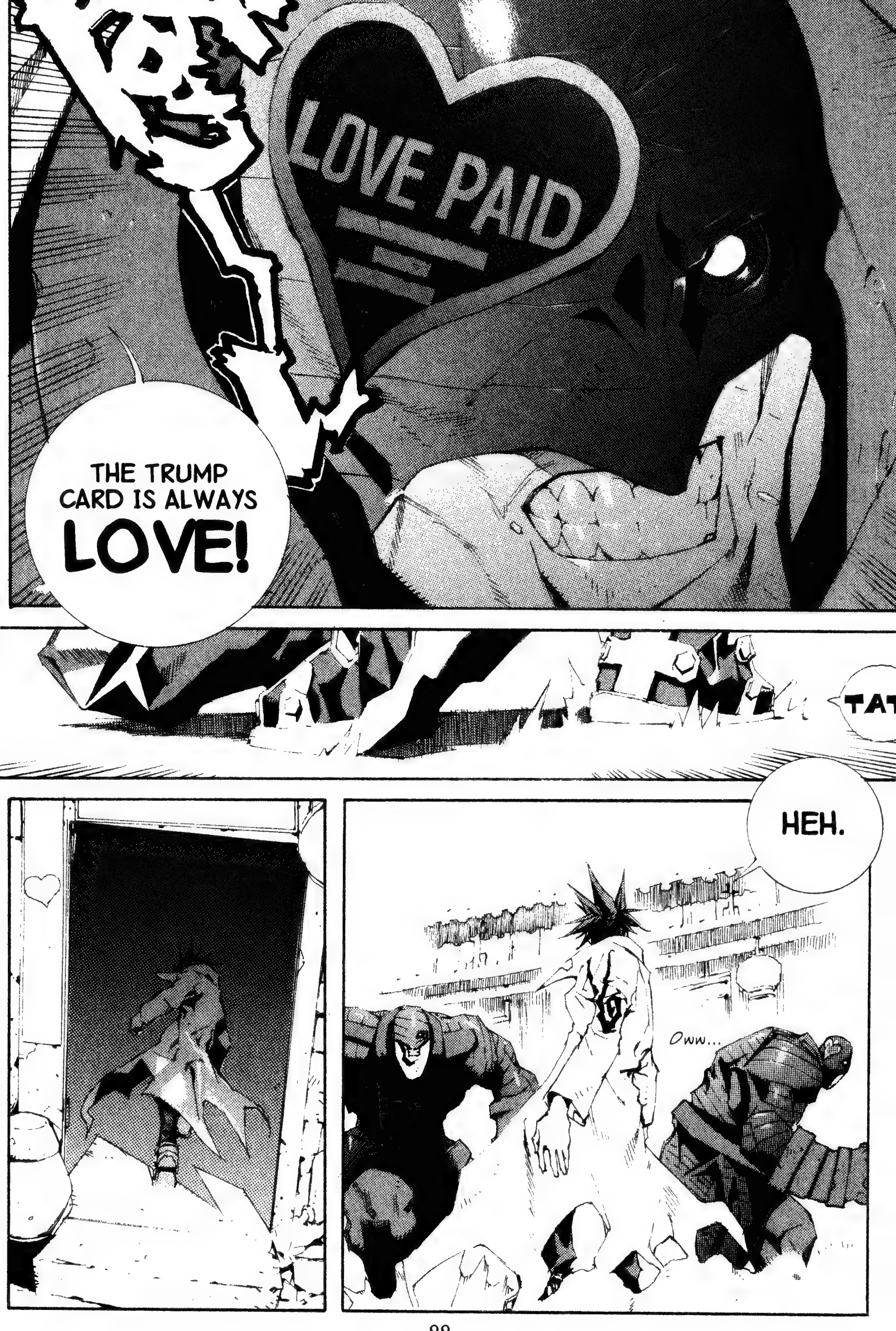

DAMN!
HE...
HE'S ESCAPED INTO SAMPTON!

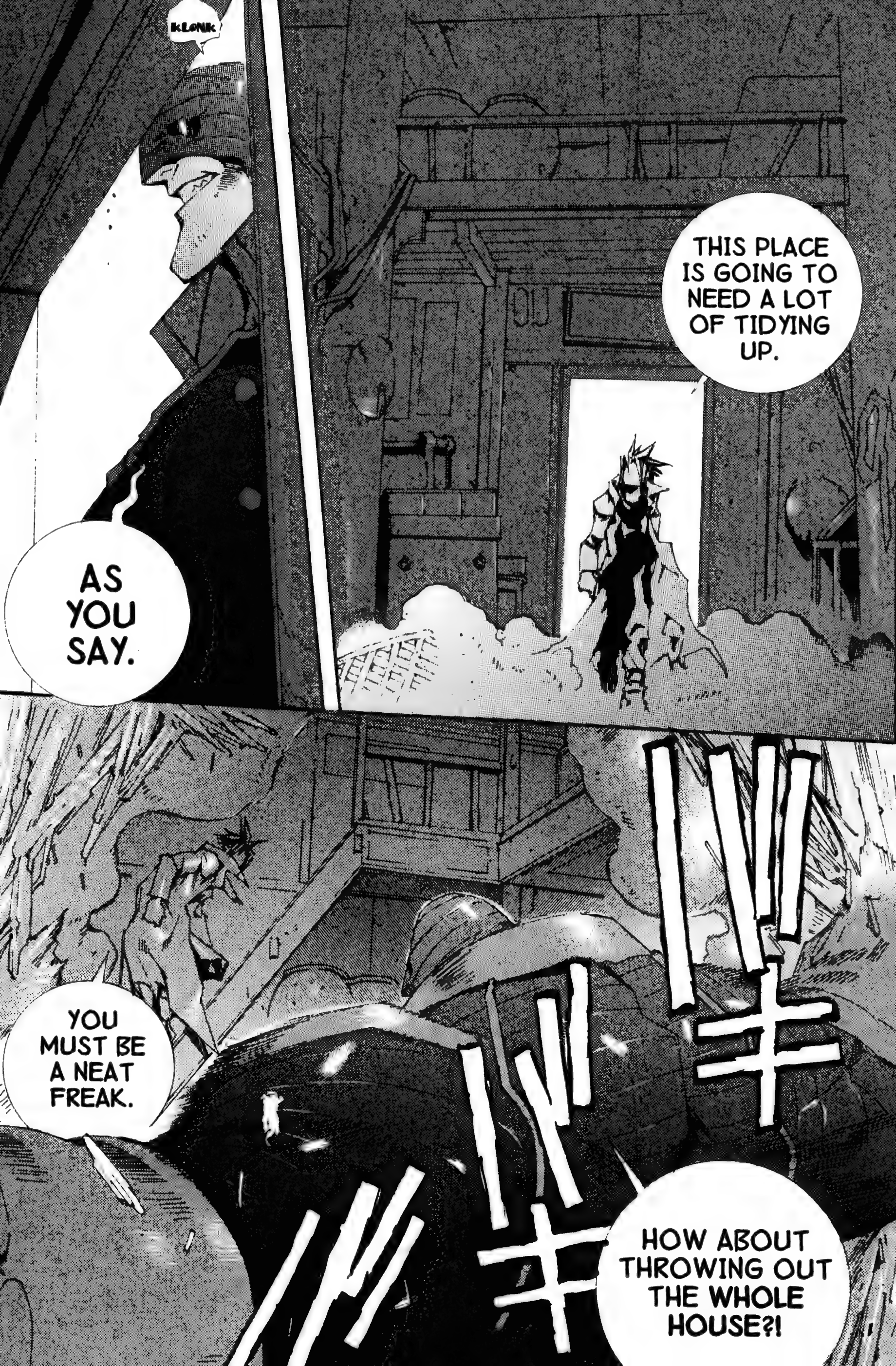

TAT
RIIIP
EVERYTHING'S COVERED WITH STICKERS... HUH?
LOVE PAID
THIS LOVE HAS BEEN PAID FOR?

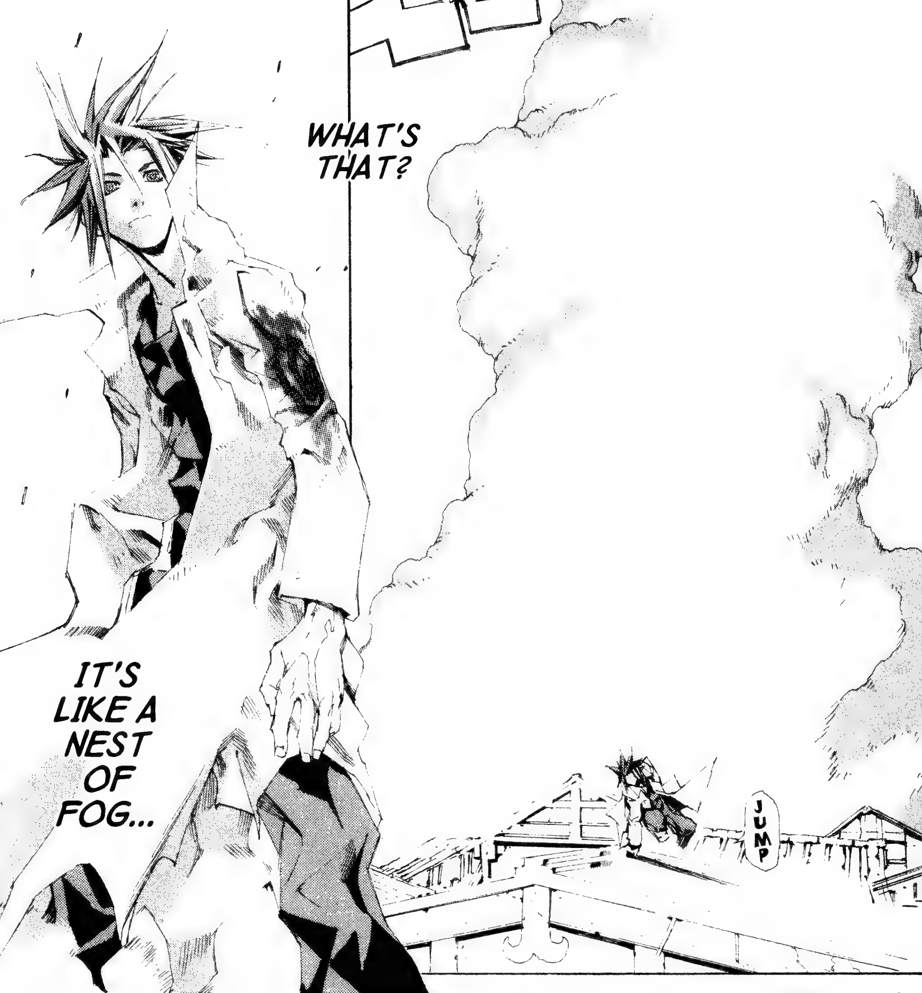

VSH
WAM
HEY, BUDDY! TIME FOR A KIR ROYALE!
KIR! WHERE ARE YOU, KIR?!

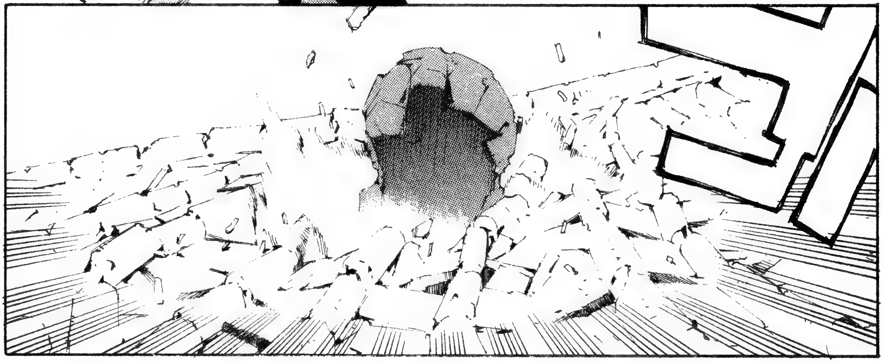

YOU GOT HIT BY THE TRANQUILIZER?!
Huh?
I DON'T REMEMBER ARRANGING A WAKE-UP CALL...
IF YOU'RE GOING TO CONTINUE TO DENY THE CHARGES...

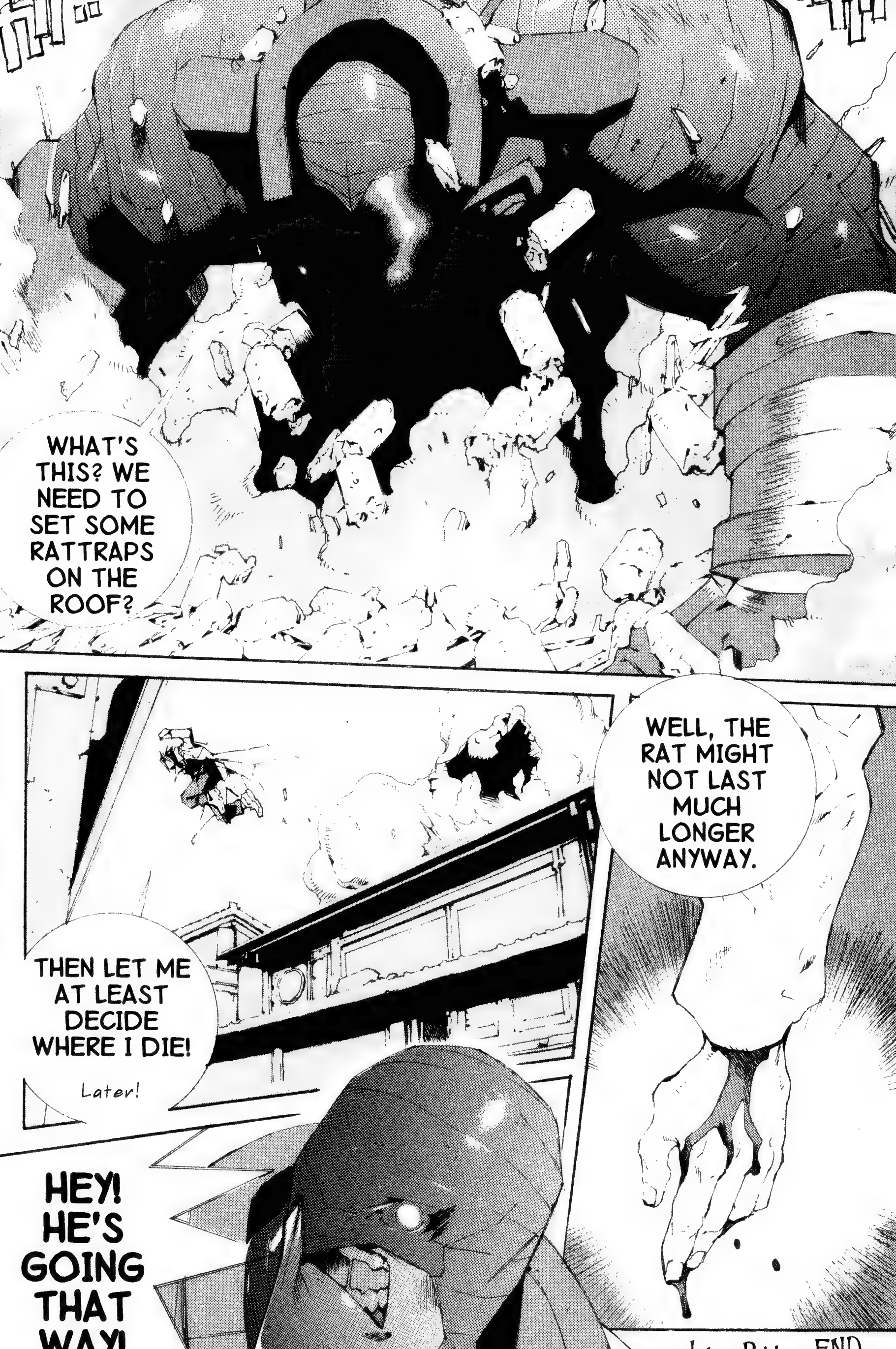

...YOU'LL BE GETTING A DEATH EXEMPTION INSTEAD!
GUESS IT'S TIME I REVEAL MY FINAL TRUMP CARD.
CHUK


LOVE PAID
THE TRUMP CARD IS ALWAYS LOVE!
TAT
HEH.
Oww...


KLONK
THIS PLACE IS GOING TO NEED A LOT OF TIDYING UP.
AS YOU SAY.
HOW ABOUT THROWING OUT THE WHOLE HOUSE?!
YOU MUST BE A NEAT FREAK.

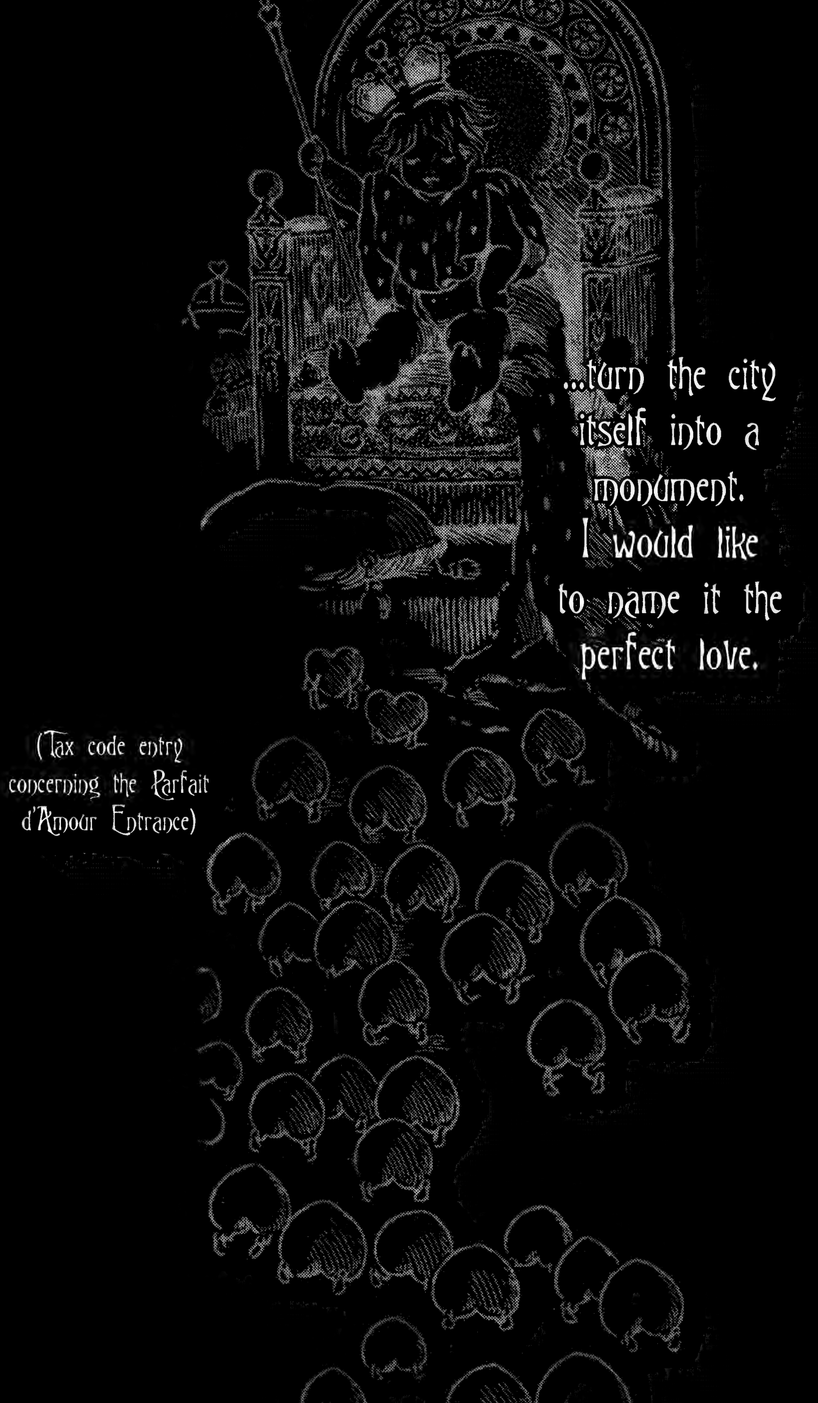

WHAT'S THAT?
IT'S LIKE A NEST OF FOG...
JUMP

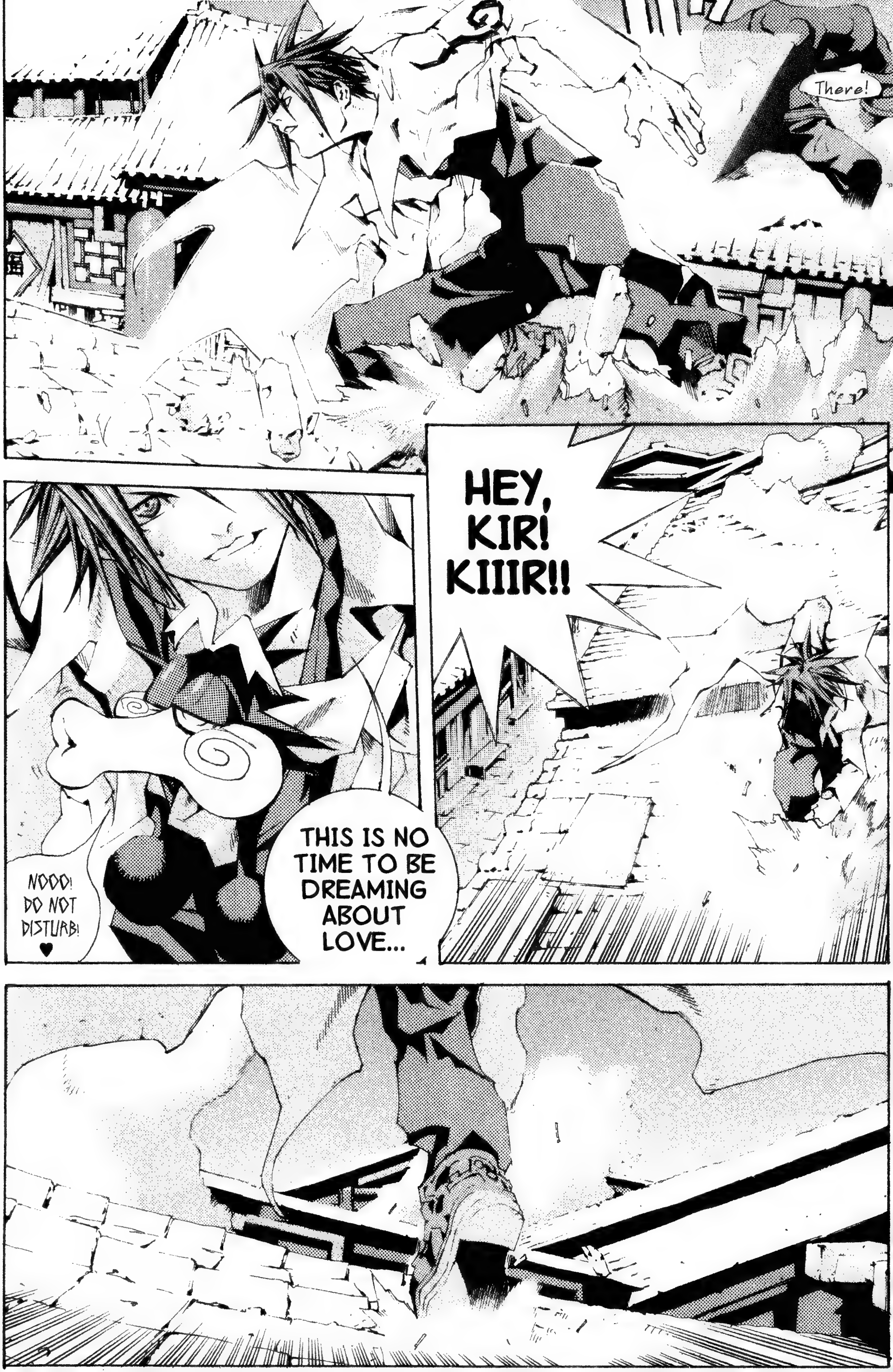


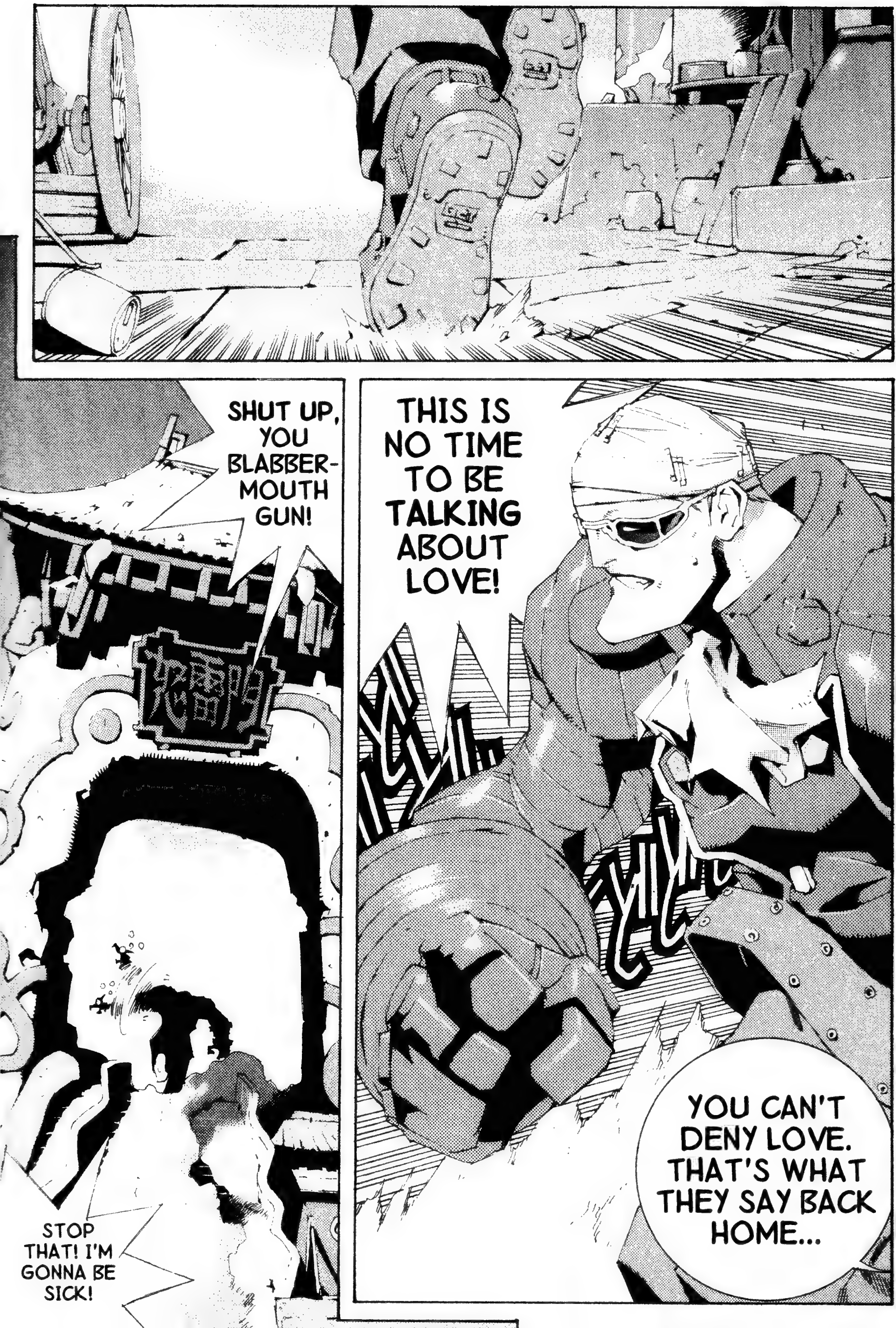

WHAT'S THIS? WE NEED TO SET SOME RATTRAPS ON THE ROOF?
WELL, THE RAT MIGHT NOT LAST MUCH LONGER ANYWAY.
THEN LET ME AT LEAST DECIDE WHERE I DIE!
Later!
HEY! HE'S GOING THAT WAY!

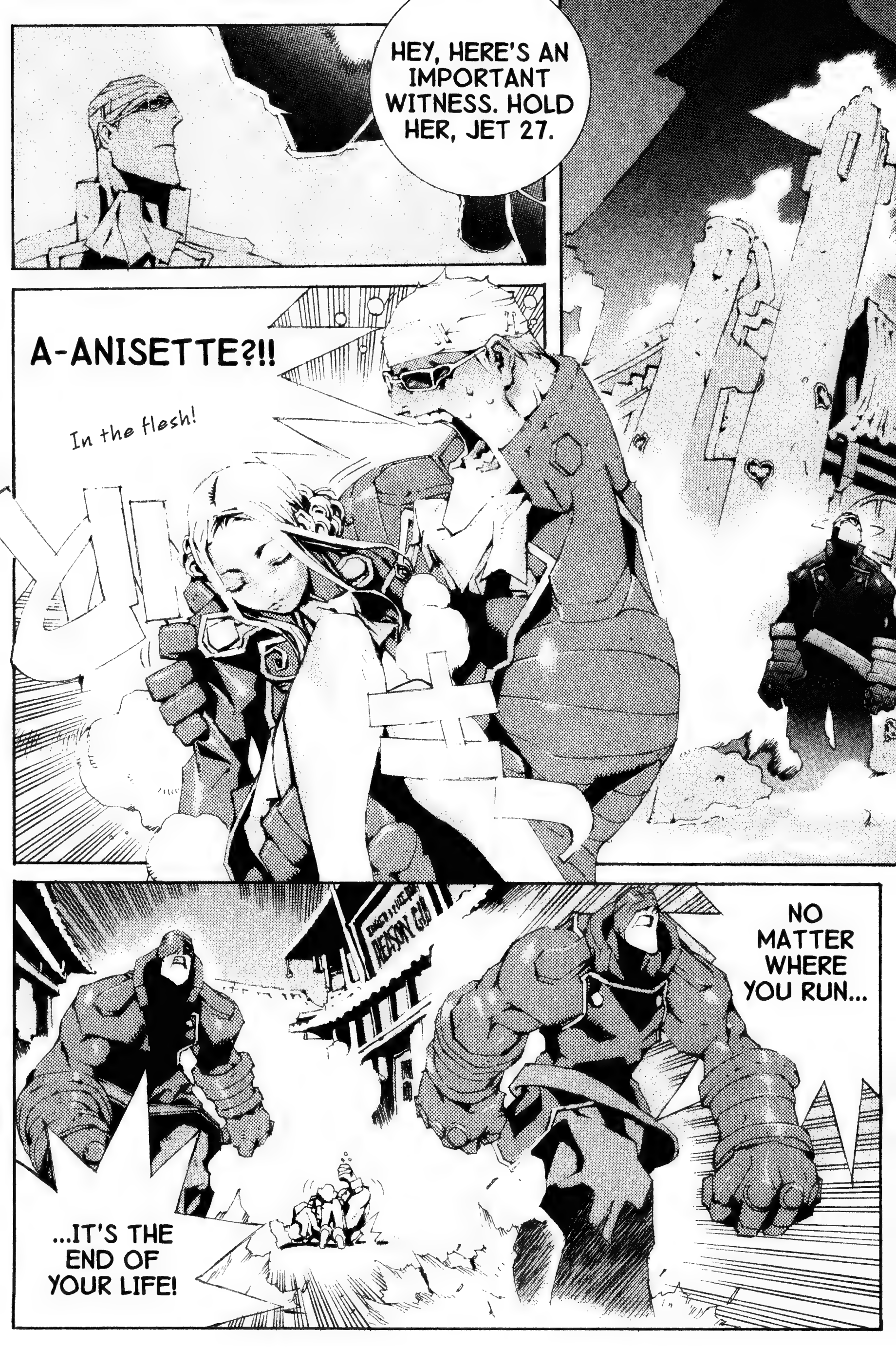
Love Paid - END

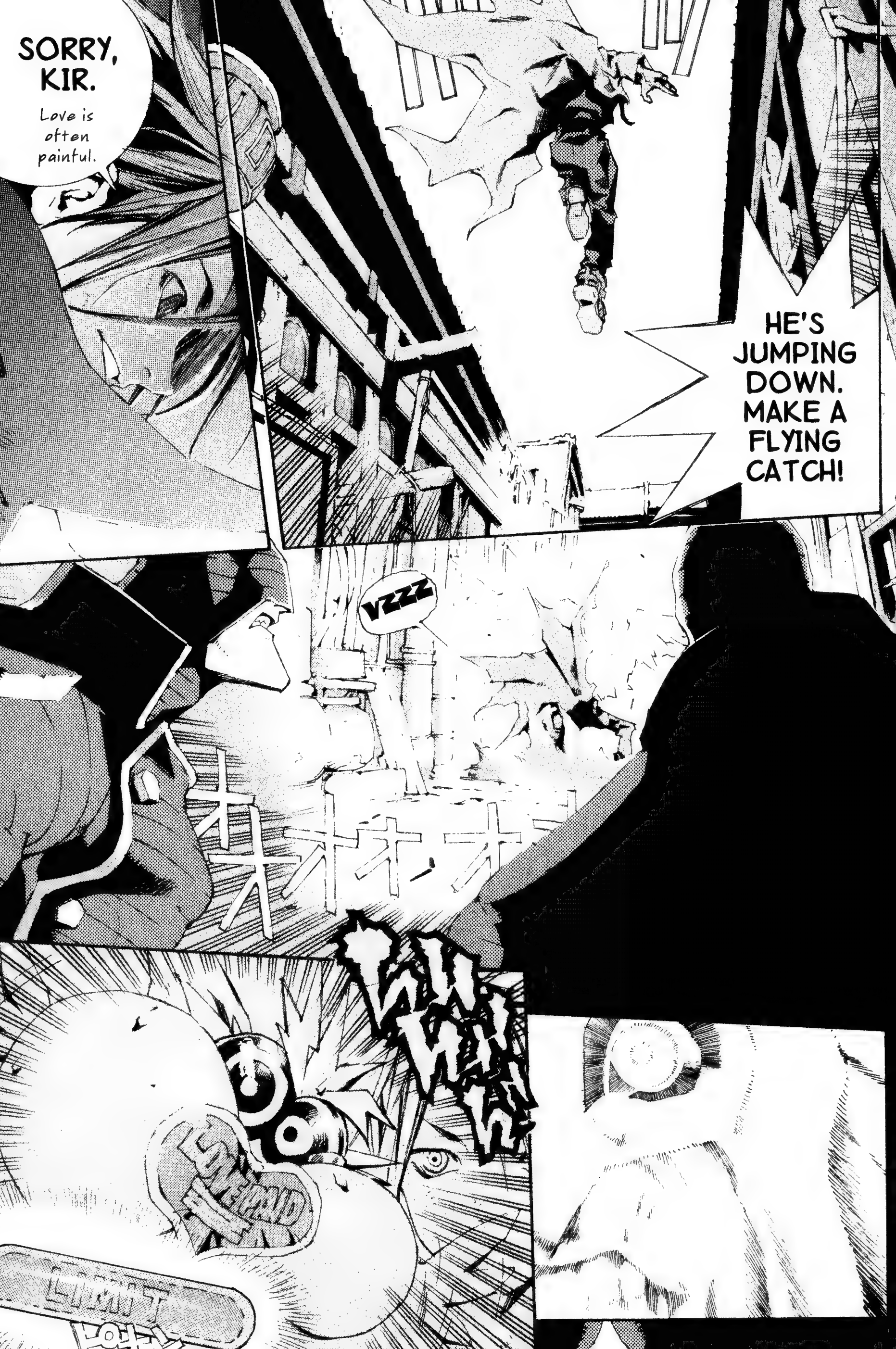
Nobody doubts the value of love.
And the ancients imposed taxes
on all things that are good.
Money, land, certain activities, information...
Almost everything that humans put worth in.
That's why I have decided to create a love tax,
in order to praise love and to carve
its worth into our hearts.
This of course is not to ban or limit love.
People have respect or certain awe for love.
This tax is simply to express the greatness of love.
The money raised will help create what will become
a symbol of the city...
No, what will eventually...


...turn the city itself into a monument. I would like to name it the perfect love.
(Tax code entry concerning the Parfait d'Amour Entrance)


There!
HEY, KIR! KIIIR!!
THIS IS NO TIME TO BE DREAMING ABOUT LOVE...
NOOO! DO NOT DISTURB! ♥


THIS IS NO TIME TO BE TALKING ABOUT LOVE!
SHUT UP, YOU BLABBERMOUTH GUN!
YOU CAN'T DENY LOVE. THAT'S WHAT THEY SAY BACK HOME...
STOP THAT! I'M GONNA BE SICK!


HEY, HERE'S AN IMPORTANT WITNESS. HOLD HER, JET 27.
A-ANISETTE?!!
In the flesh!
NO MATTER WHERE YOU RUN...
...IT'S THE END OF YOUR LIFE!


HE'S JUMPING DOWN. MAKE A FLYING CATCH!
SORRY, KIR.
Love is often painful.
VZZZ
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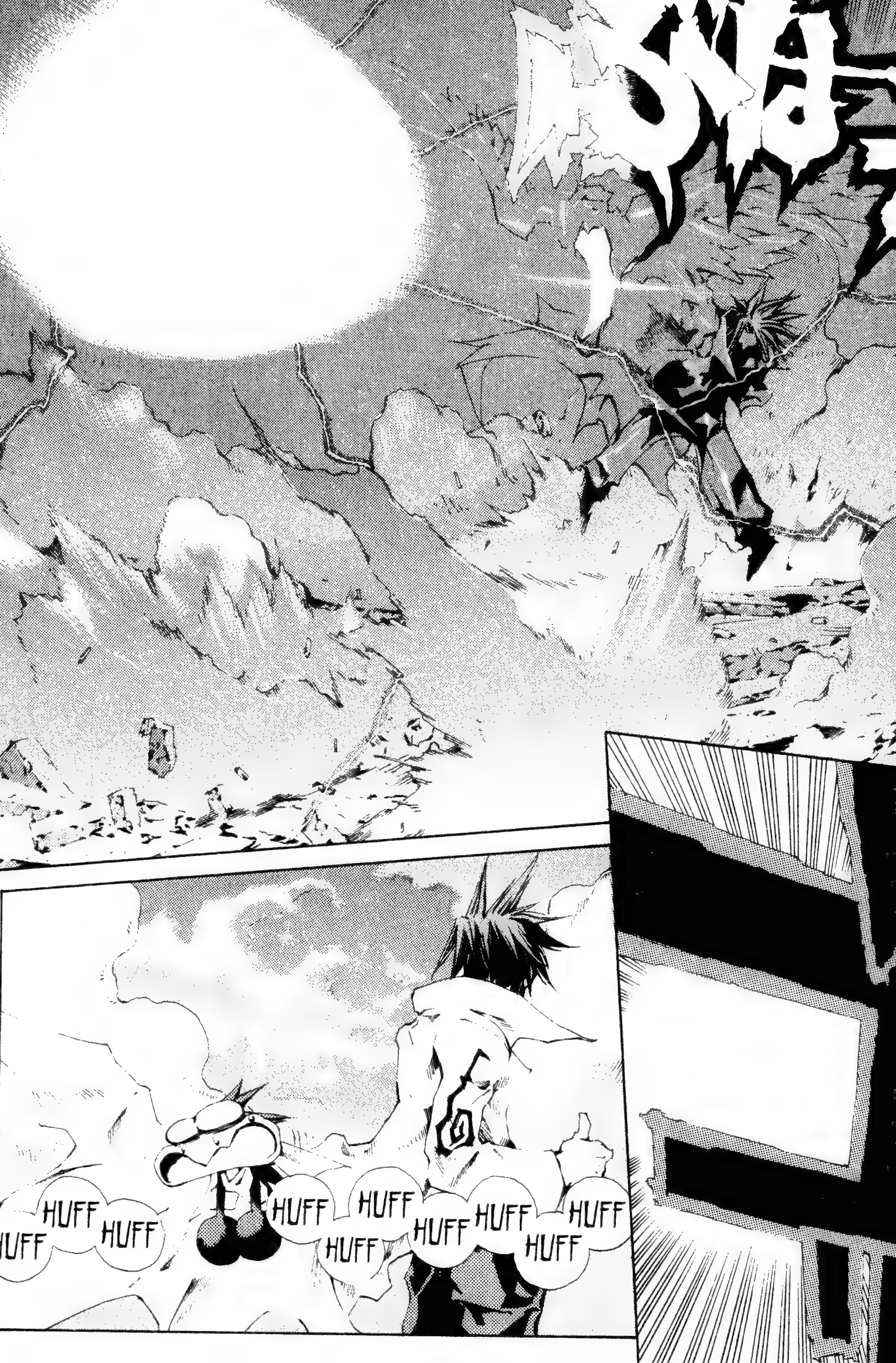
LIMIT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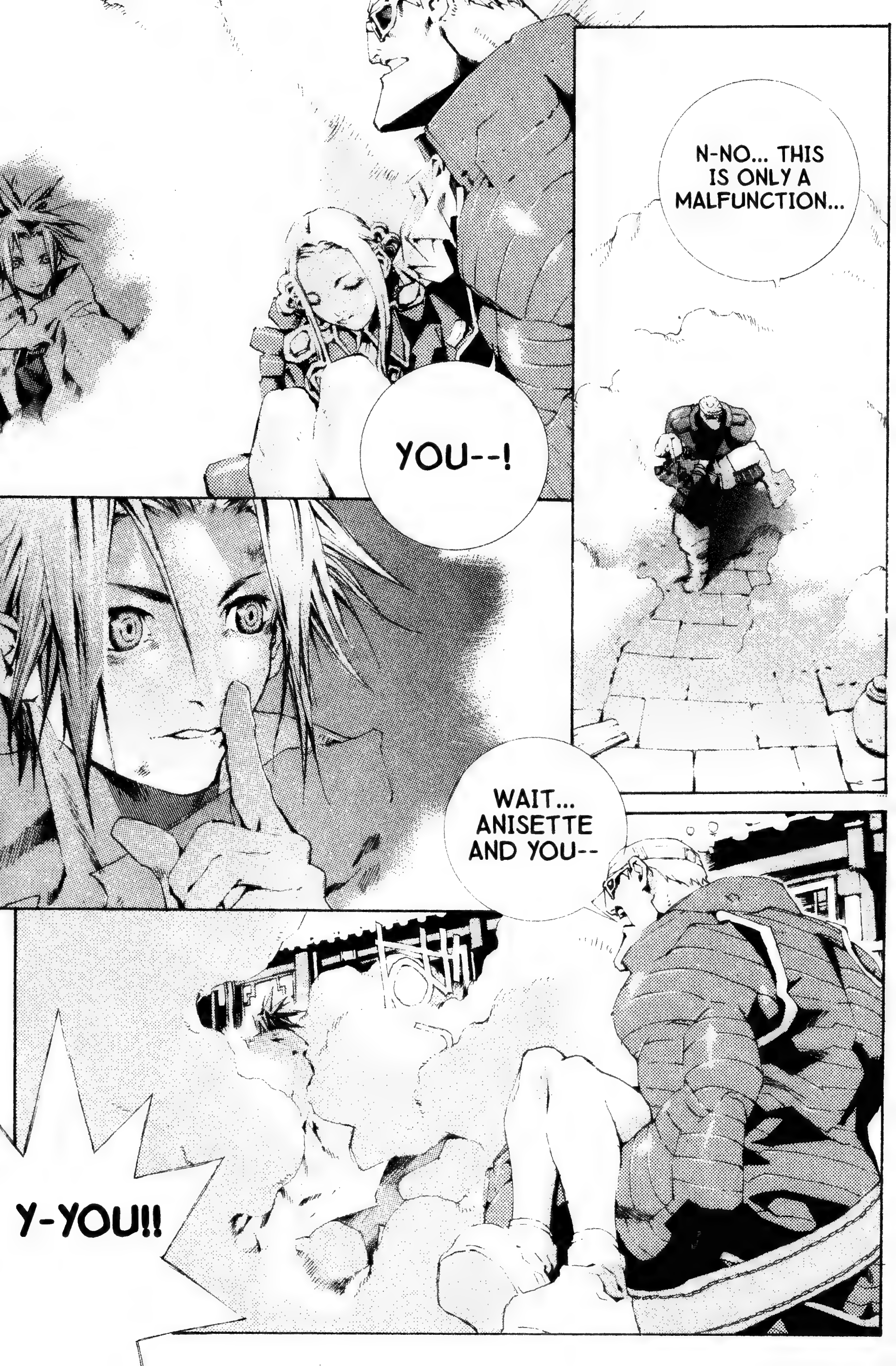
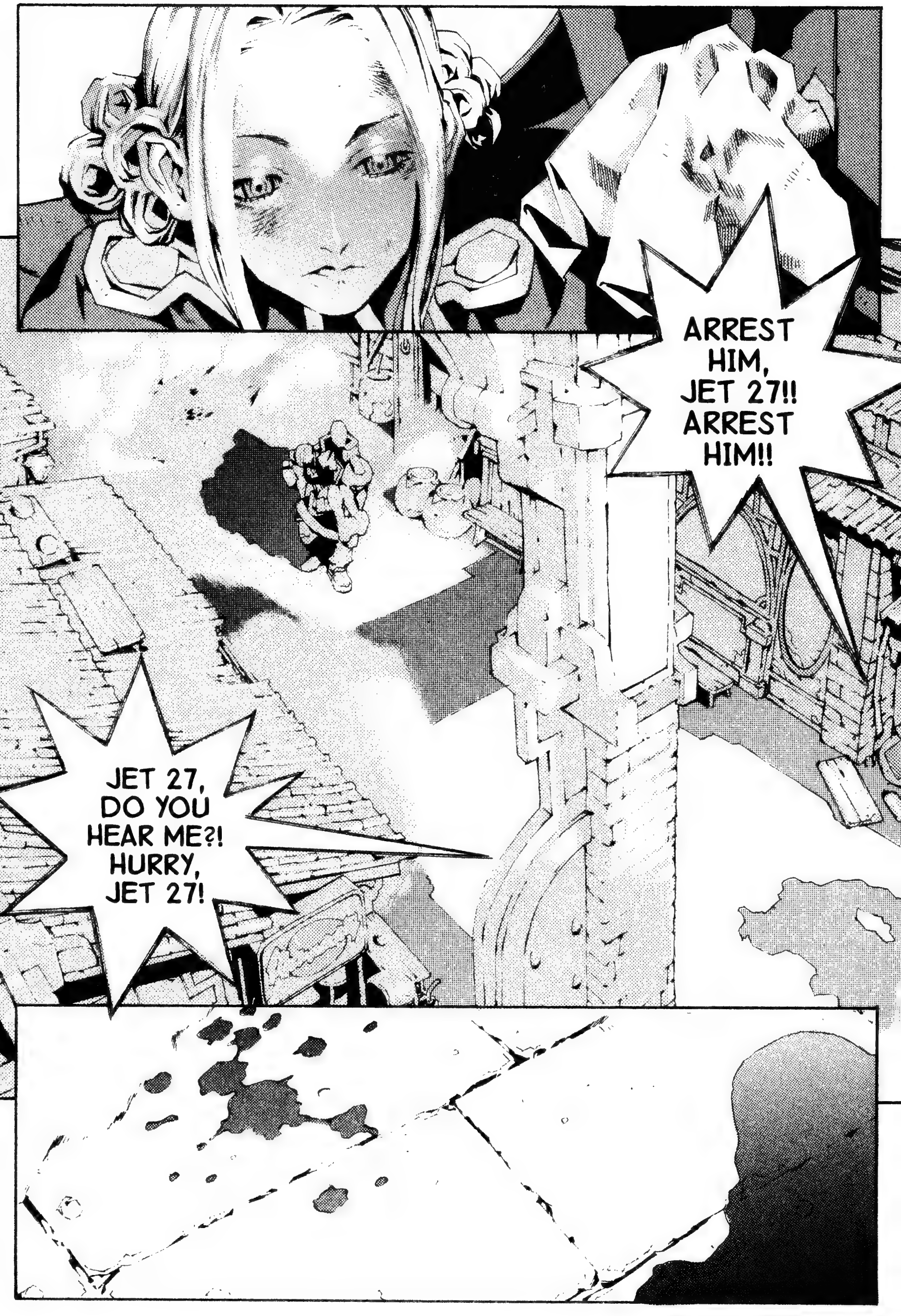
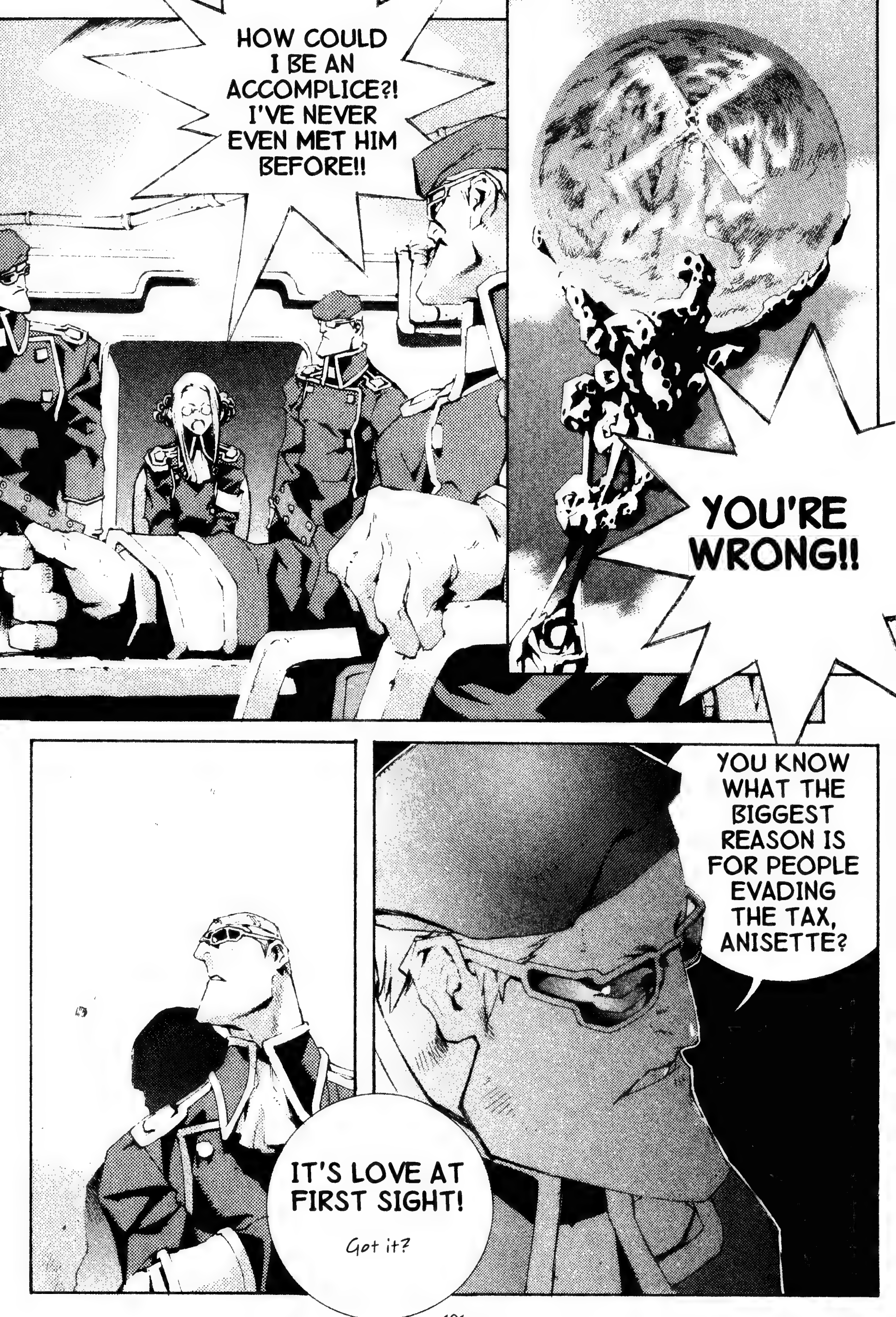
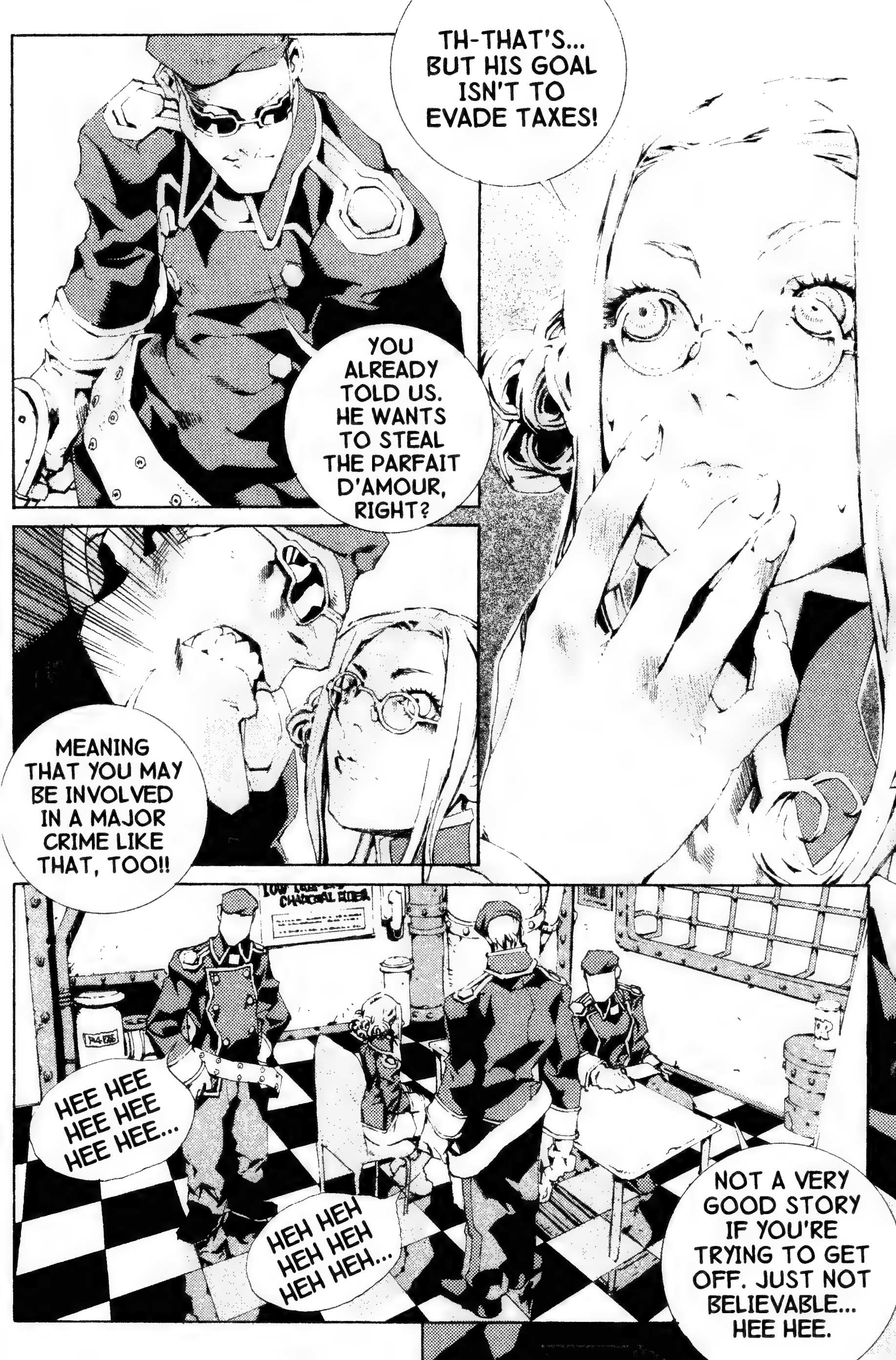
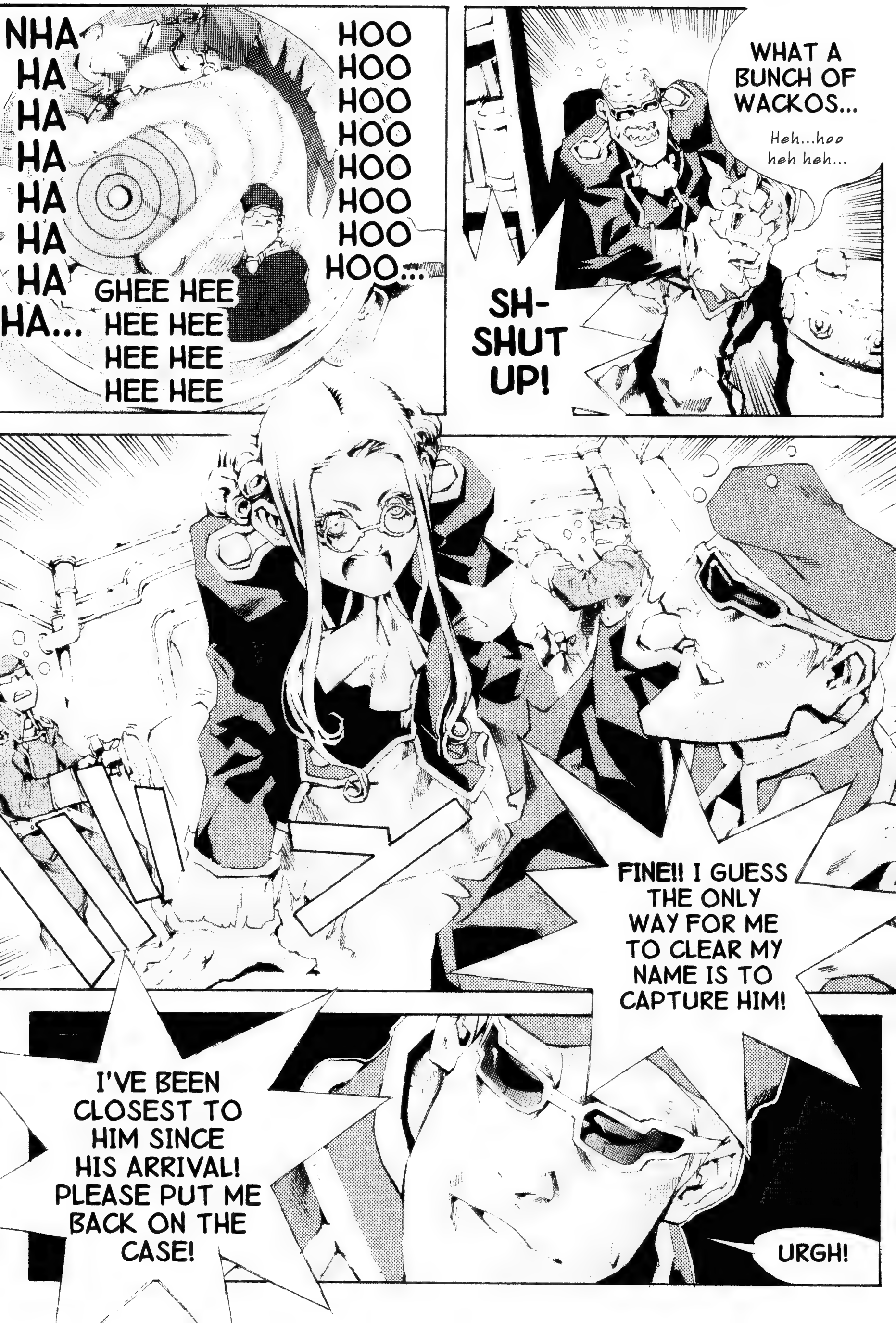
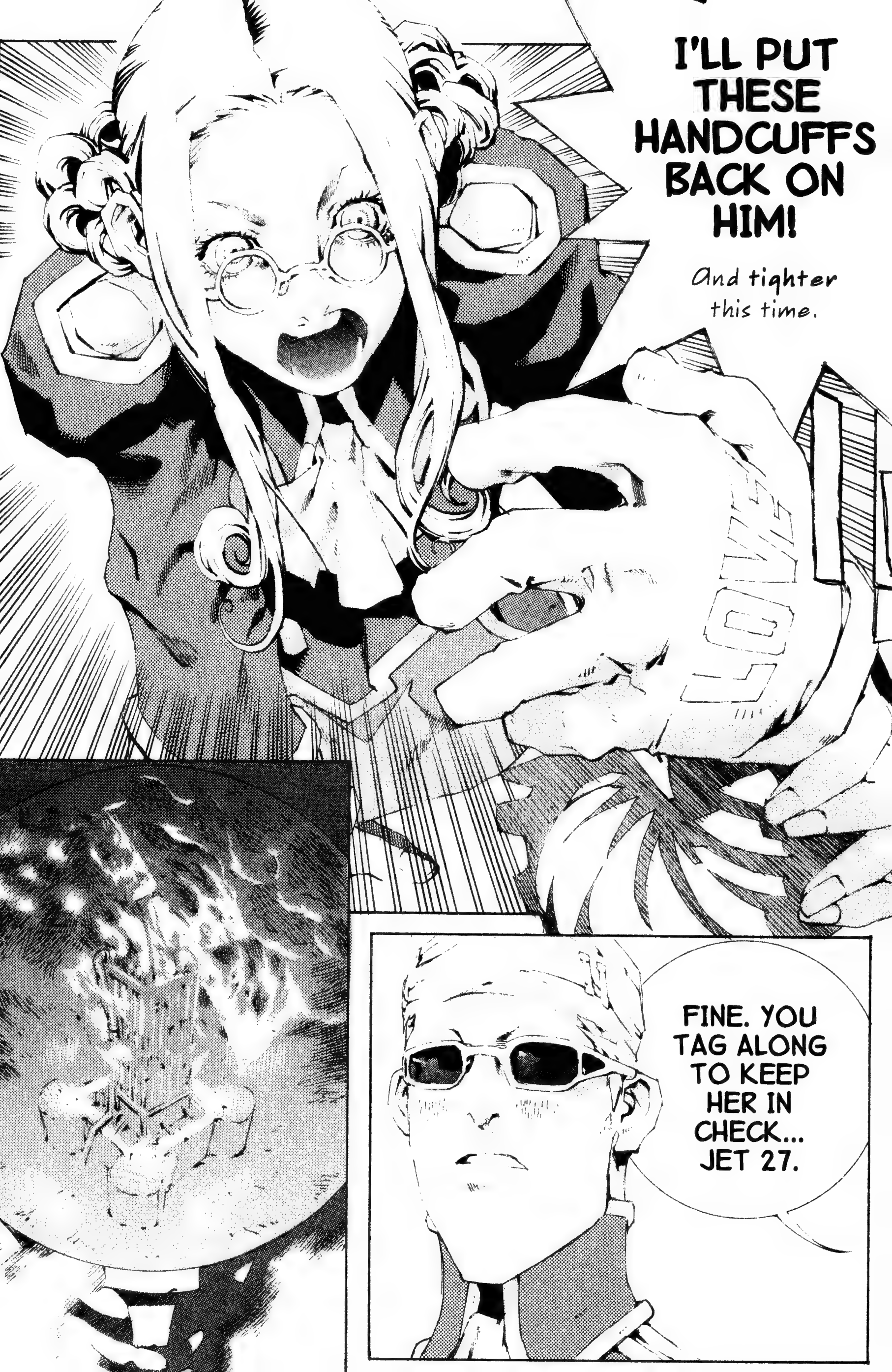

N-NO... THIS IS ONLY A MALFUNCTION...
YOU--!
WAIT... ANISETTE AND YOU--
Y-YOU!!

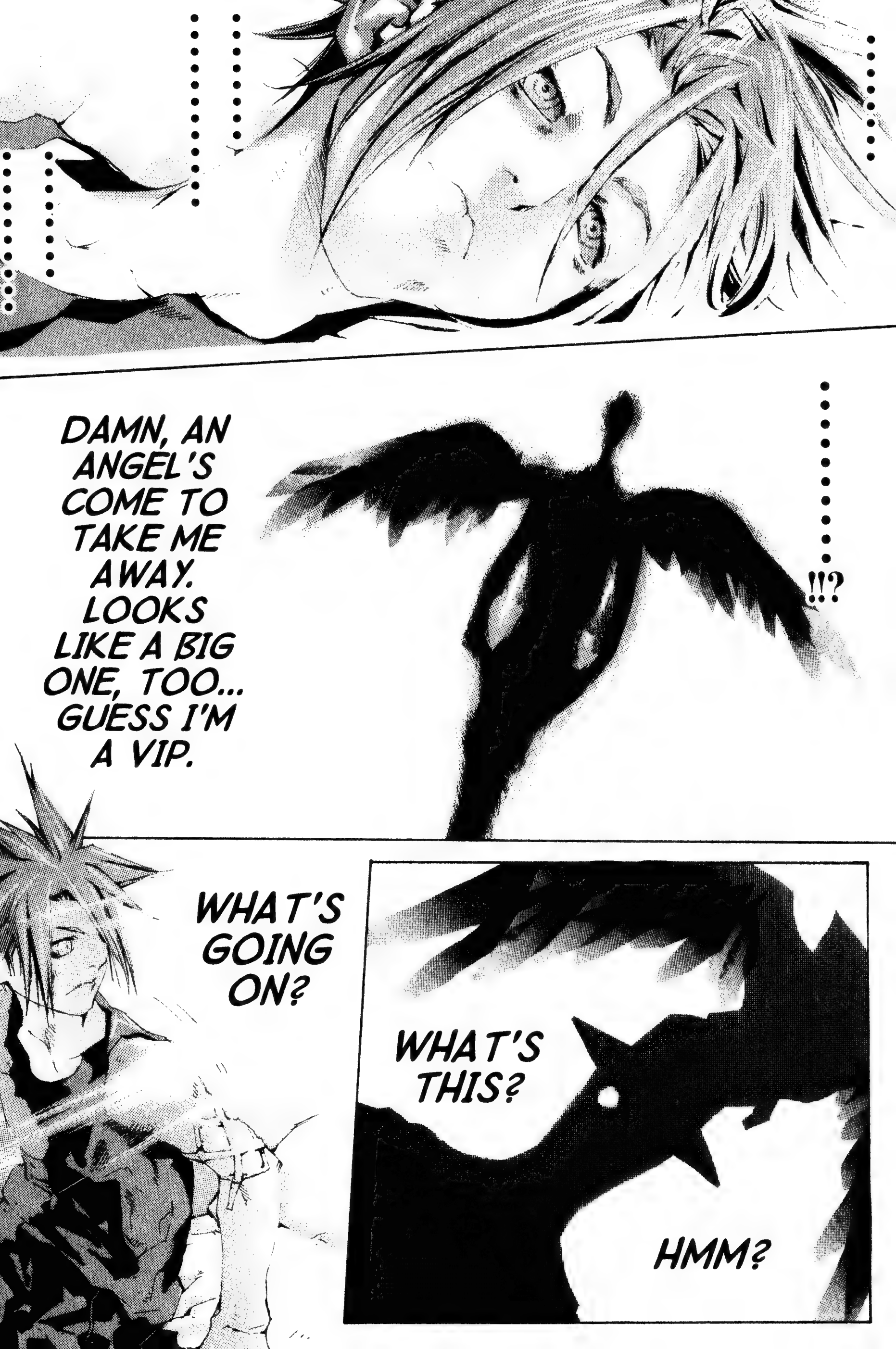

ARREST HIM, JET 27!! ARREST HIM!!
JET 27, DO YOU HEAR ME?! HURRY, JET 27!


HOW COULD I BE AN ACCOMPLICE?! I'VE NEVER EVEN MET HIM BEFORE!!
YOU'RE WRONG!!
YOU KNOW WHAT THE BIGGEST REASON IS FOR PEOPLE EVADING THE TAX, ANISETTE?
IT'S LOVE AT FIRST SIGHT!
Got it?


TH-THAT'S... BUT HIS GOAL ISN'T TO EVADE TAXES!
YOU ALREADY TOLD US. HE WANTS TO STEAL THE PARFAIT D'AMOUR, RIGHT?
MEANING THAT YOU MAY BE INVOLVED IN A MAJOR CRIME LIKE THAT, TOO!!
NOT A VERY GOOD STORY IF YOU'RE TRYING TO GET OFF. JUST NOT BELIEVABLE... HEE HEE.
HEH HEH HEH HEH HEH HEH...
HEE HEE HEE HEE HEE HEE...


WHAT A BUNCH OF WACKOS...
Heh...hoo heh heh...
SH-SHUT UP!
HOO HOO HOO HOO HOO HOO HOO HOO...
NHA HA HA HA HA HA HA HA...
GHEE HEE HEE HEE HEE HEE HEE HEE
FINE!! I GUESS THE ONLY WAY FOR ME TO CLEAR MY NAME IS TO CAPTURE HIM!
I'VE BEEN CLOSEST TO HIM SINCE HIS ARRIVAL! PLEASE PUT ME BACK ON THE CASE!
URGH!


I'LL PUT THESE HANDCUFFS BACK ON HIM!
And tighter this time.
LOVE
FINE. YOU TAG ALONG TO KEEP HER IN CHECK... JET 27.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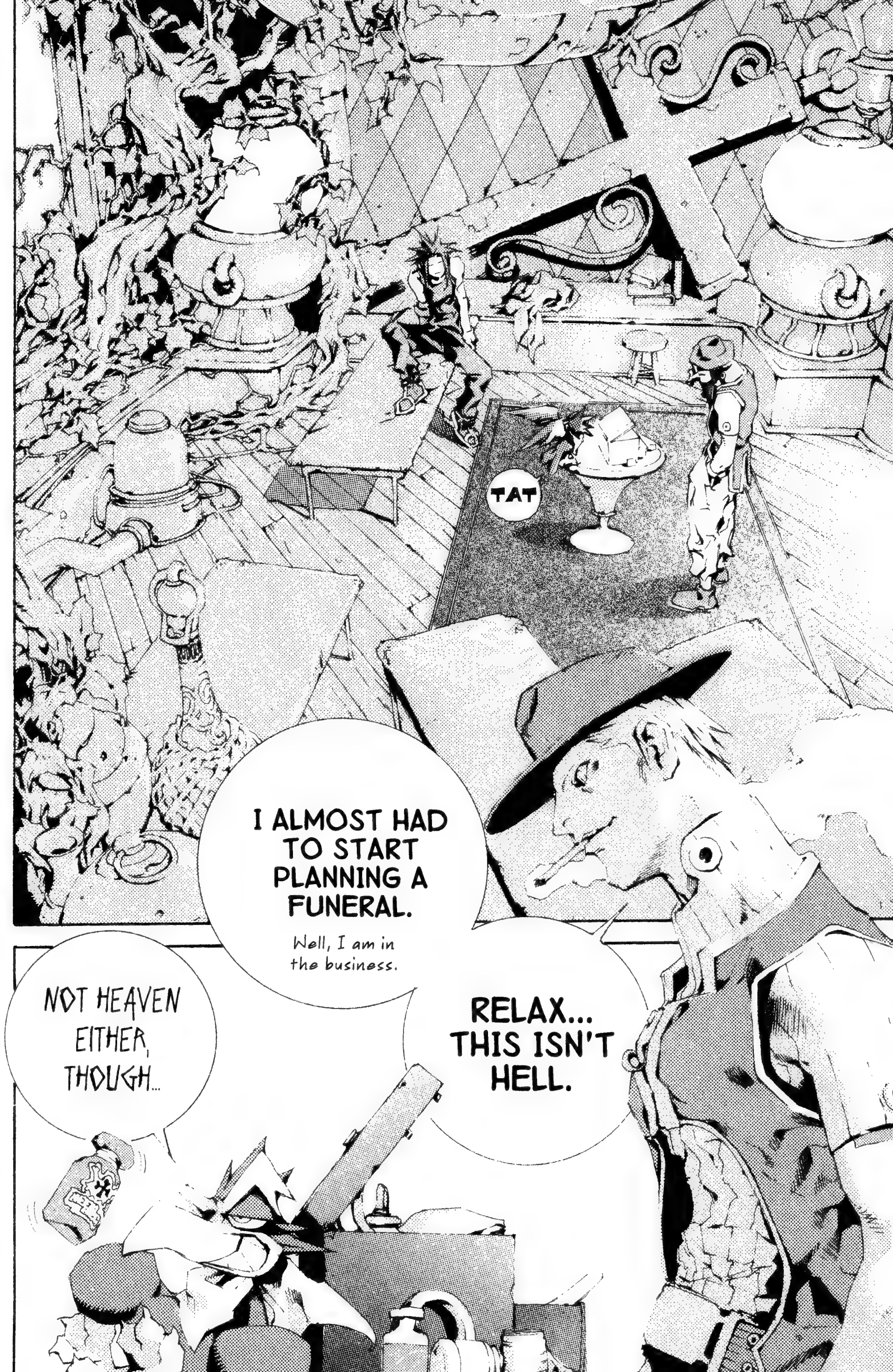
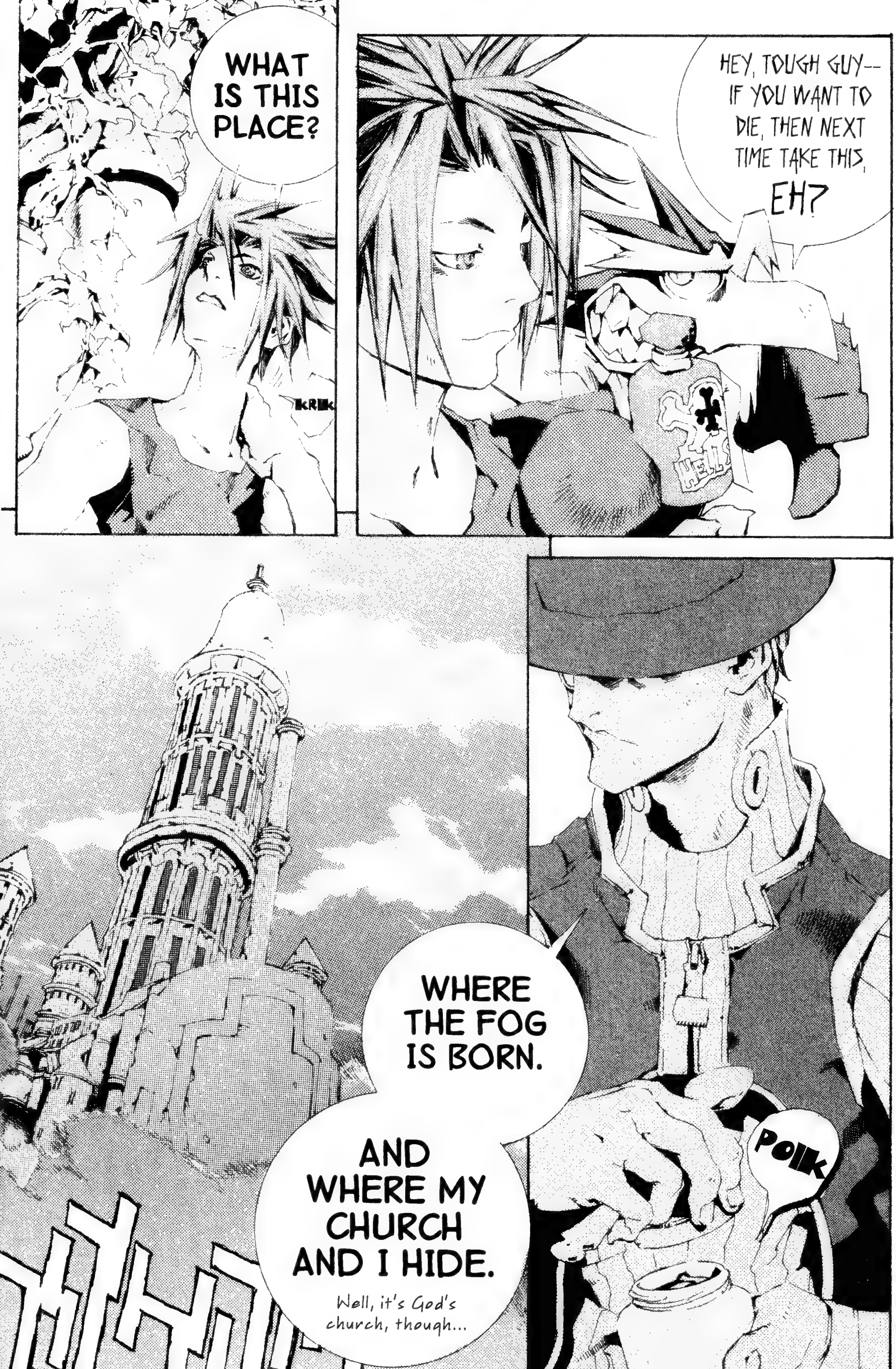
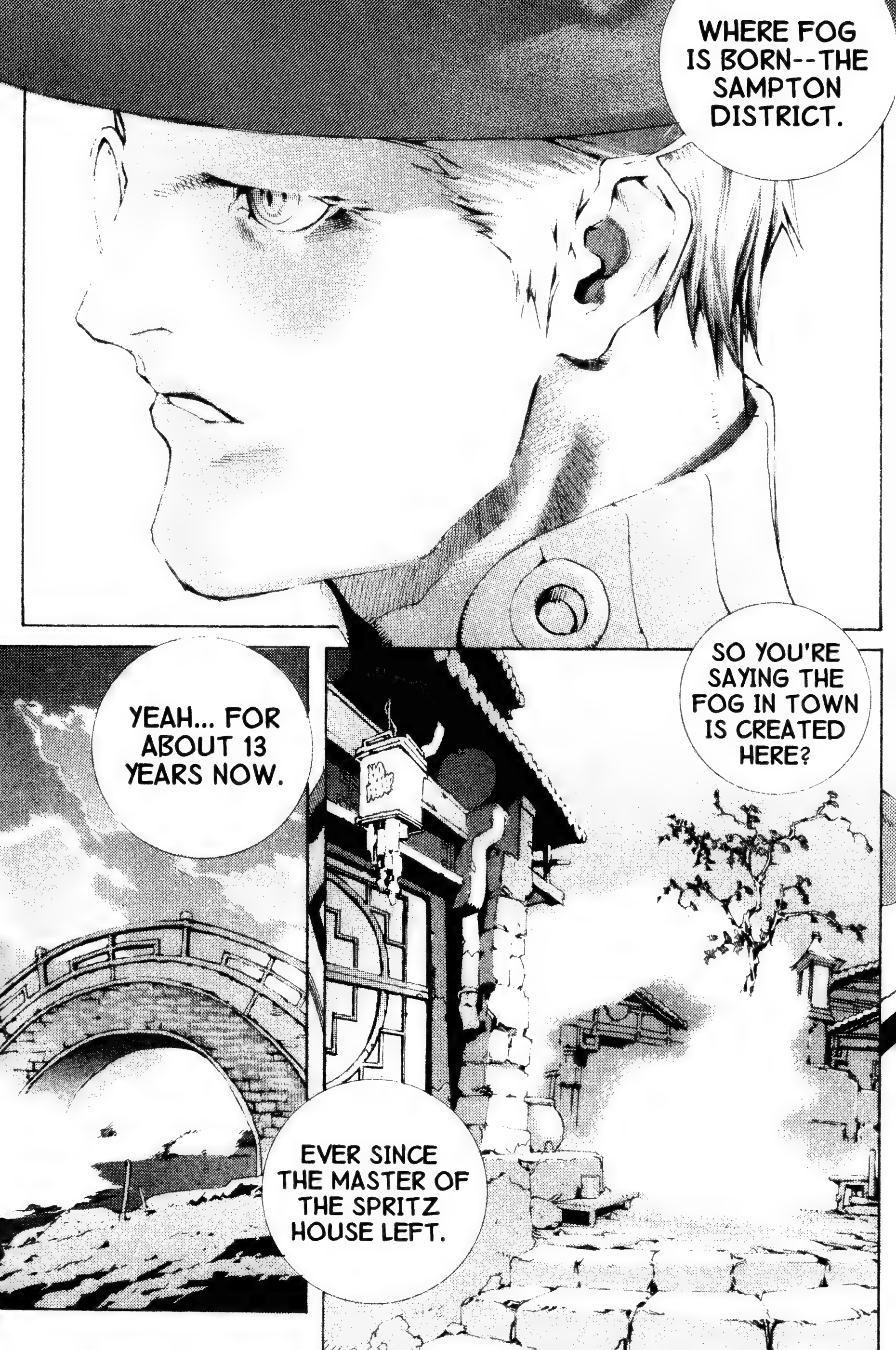
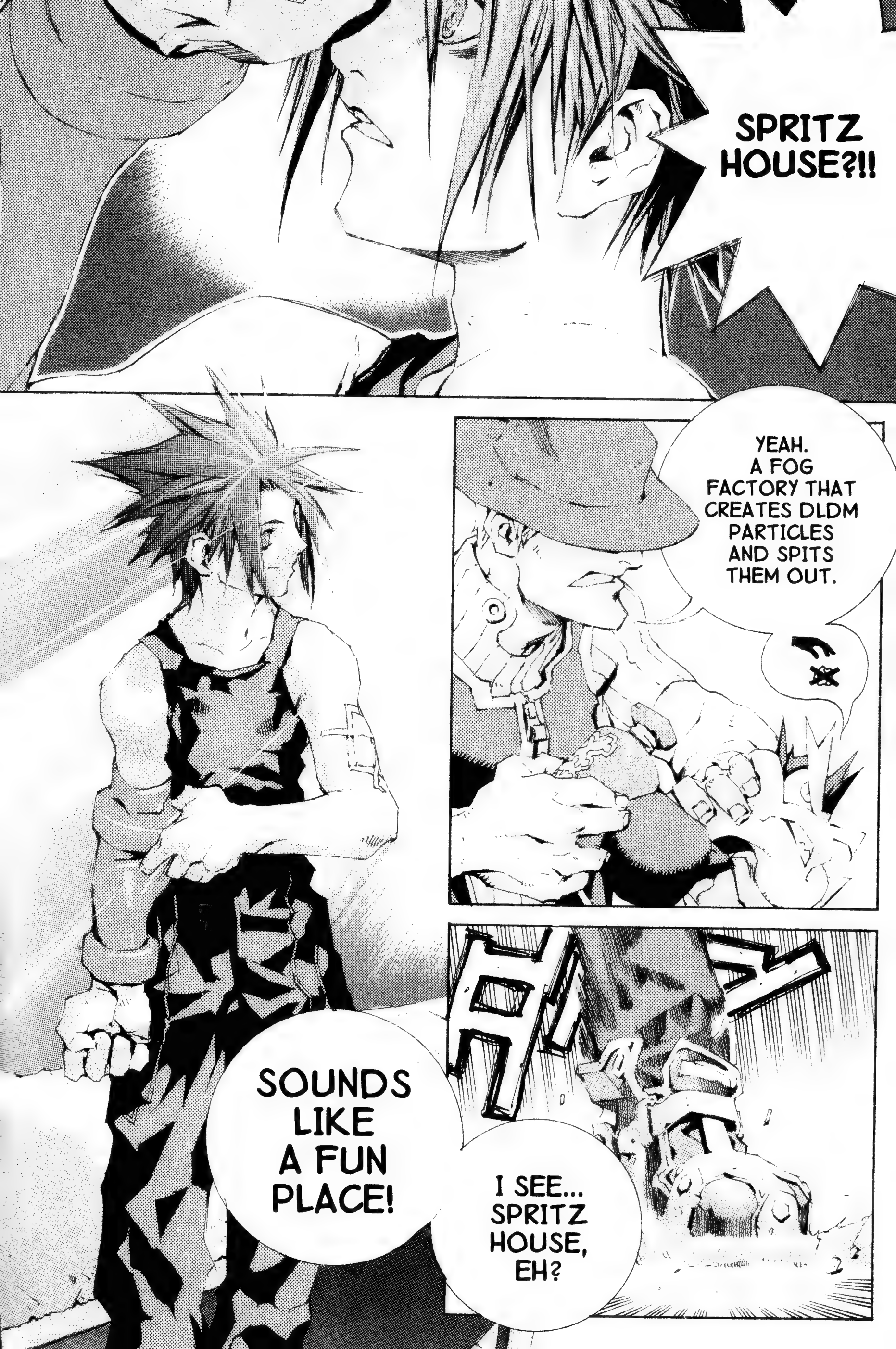
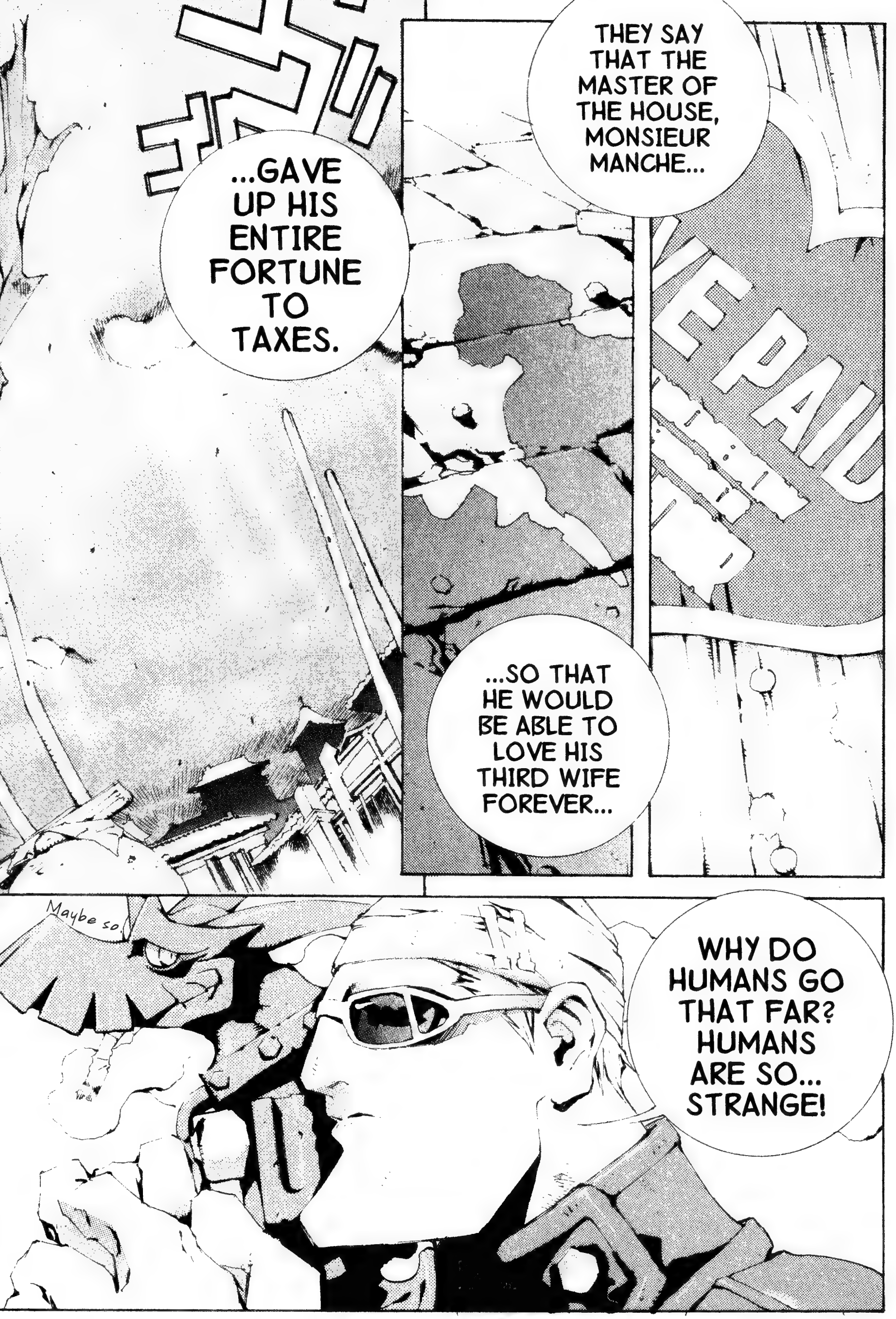
……!!?
DAMN, AN ANGEL'S COME TO TAKE ME AWAY. LOOKS LIKE A BIG ONE, TOO... GUESS I'M A VIP.
WHAT'S THIS?
HMM?
WHAT'S GOING ON?

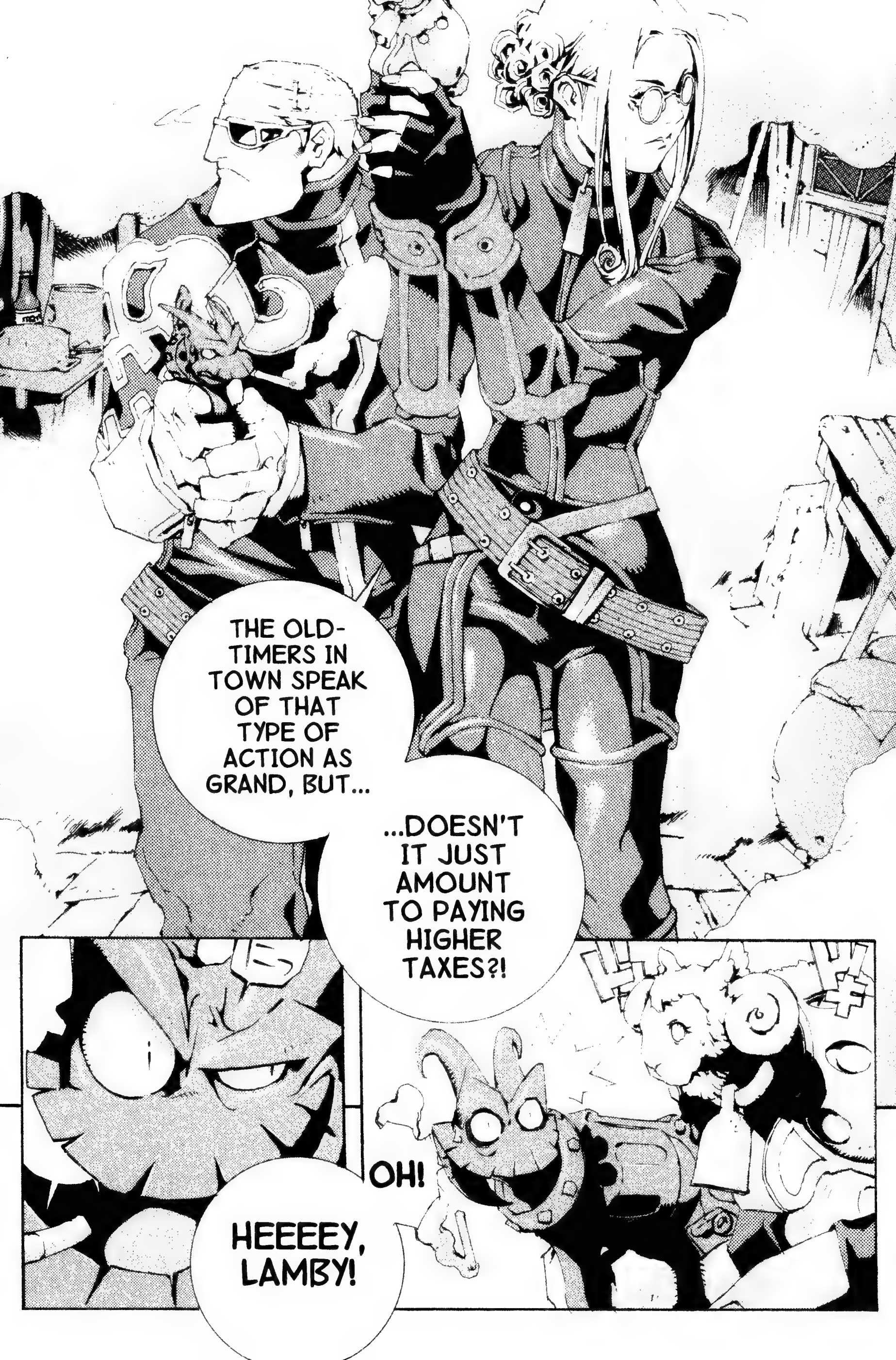

TAT
I ALMOST HAD TO START PLANNING A FUNERAL.
Well, I am in the business.
RELAX... THIS ISN'T HELL.
NOT HEAVEN EITHER, THOUGH...

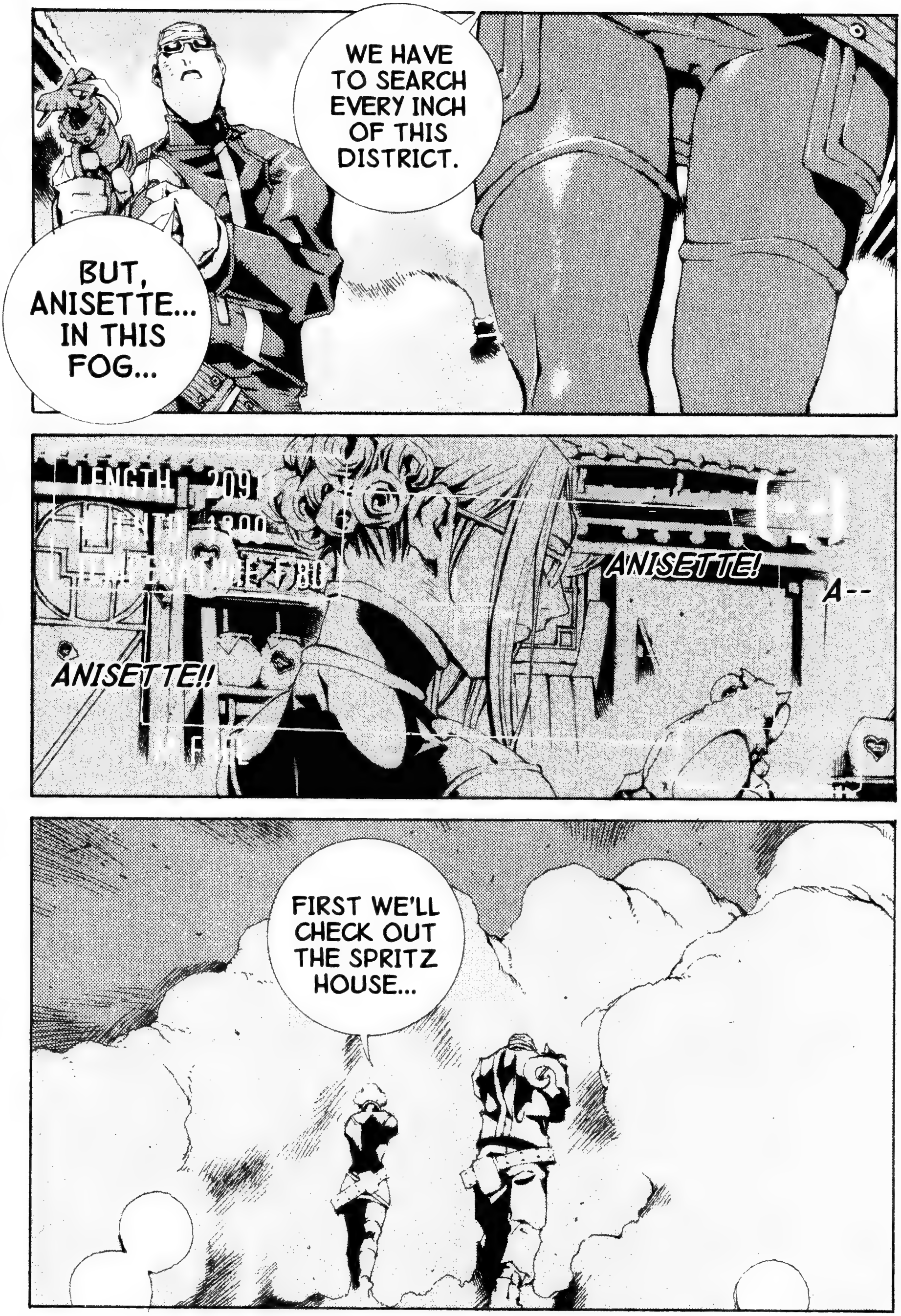

HEY, TOUGH GUY--IF YOU WANT TO DIE, THEN NEXT TIME TAKE THIS, EH?
WHAT IS THIS PLACE?
KRIK
WHERE THE FOG IS BORN.
AND WHERE MY CHURCH AND I HIDE.
Well, it's God's church, though...
POIK

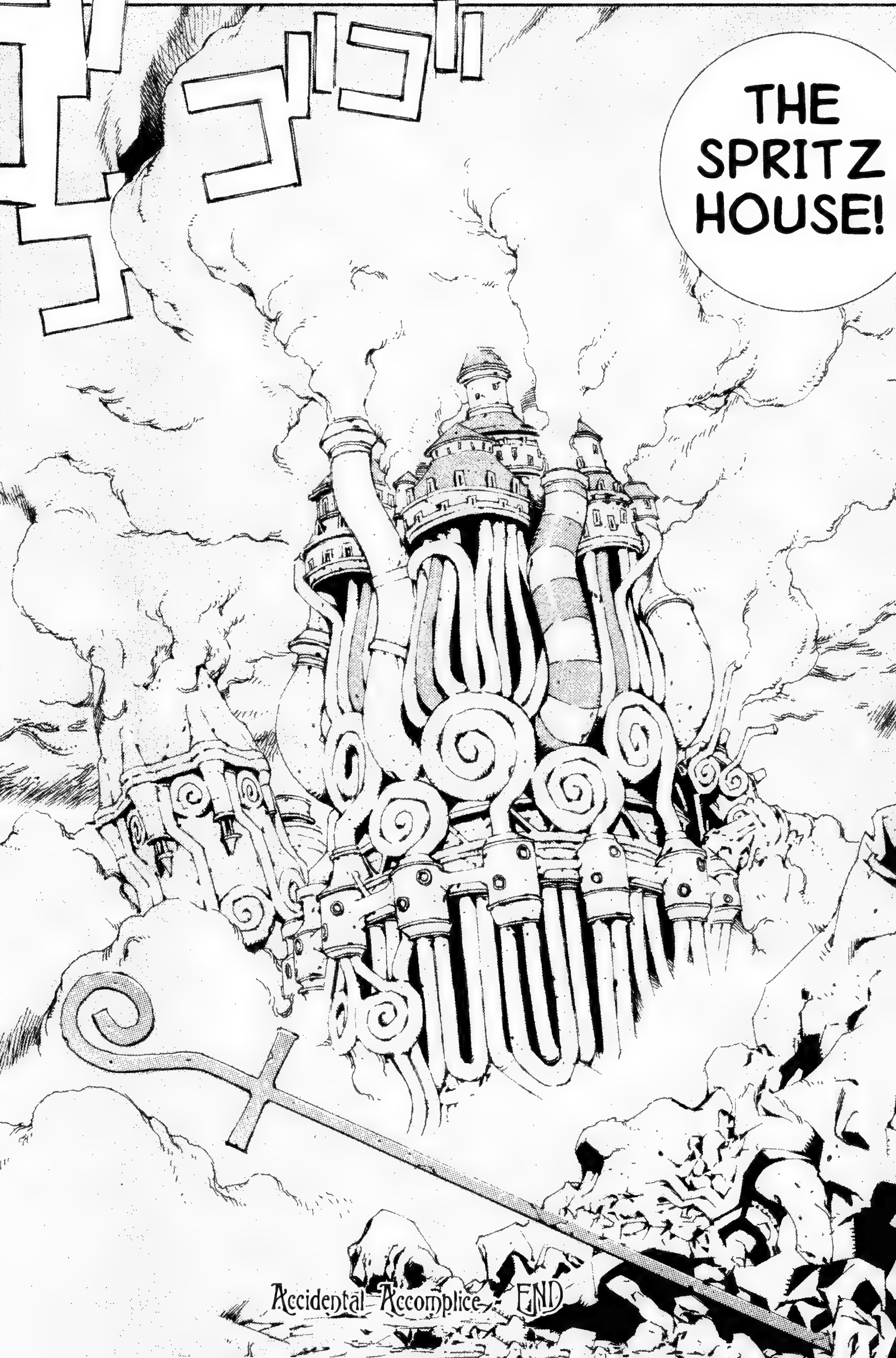

WHERE FOG IS BORN--THE SAMPTON DISTRICT.
SO YOU'RE SAYING THE FOG IN TOWN IS CREATED HERE?
YEAH... FOR ABOUT 13 YEARS NOW.
EVER SINCE THE MASTER OF THE SPRITZ HOUSE LEFT.


SPRITZ HOUSE?!!
YEAH. A FOG FACTORY THAT CREATES DLDM PARTICLES AND SPITS THEM OUT.
I SEE... SPRITZ HOUSE, EH?
SOUNDS LIKE A FUN PLACE!


THEY SAY THAT THE MASTER OF THE HOUSE, MONSIEUR MANCHE...
...GAVE UP HIS ENTIRE FORTUNE TO TAXES.
E PAID
...SO THAT HE WOULD BE ABLE TO LOVE HIS THIRD WIFE FOREVER...
WHY DO HUMANS GO THAT FAR? HUMANS ARE SO... STRANGE!
Maybe so.


THE OLD-TIMERS IN TOWN SPEAK OF THAT TYPE OF ACTION AS GRAND, BUT...
...DOESN'T IT JUST AMOUNT TO PAYING HIGHER TAXES?!
OH!
HEEEEY, LAMBY!


WE HAVE TO SEARCH EVERY INCH OF THIS DISTRICT.
BUT, ANISETTE... IN THIS FOG...
LENGTH 209
A--
ANISETTE!
ANISETTE!!
FIRST WE'LL CHECK OUT THE SPRITZ HOUSE...


THE SPRITZ HOUSE!
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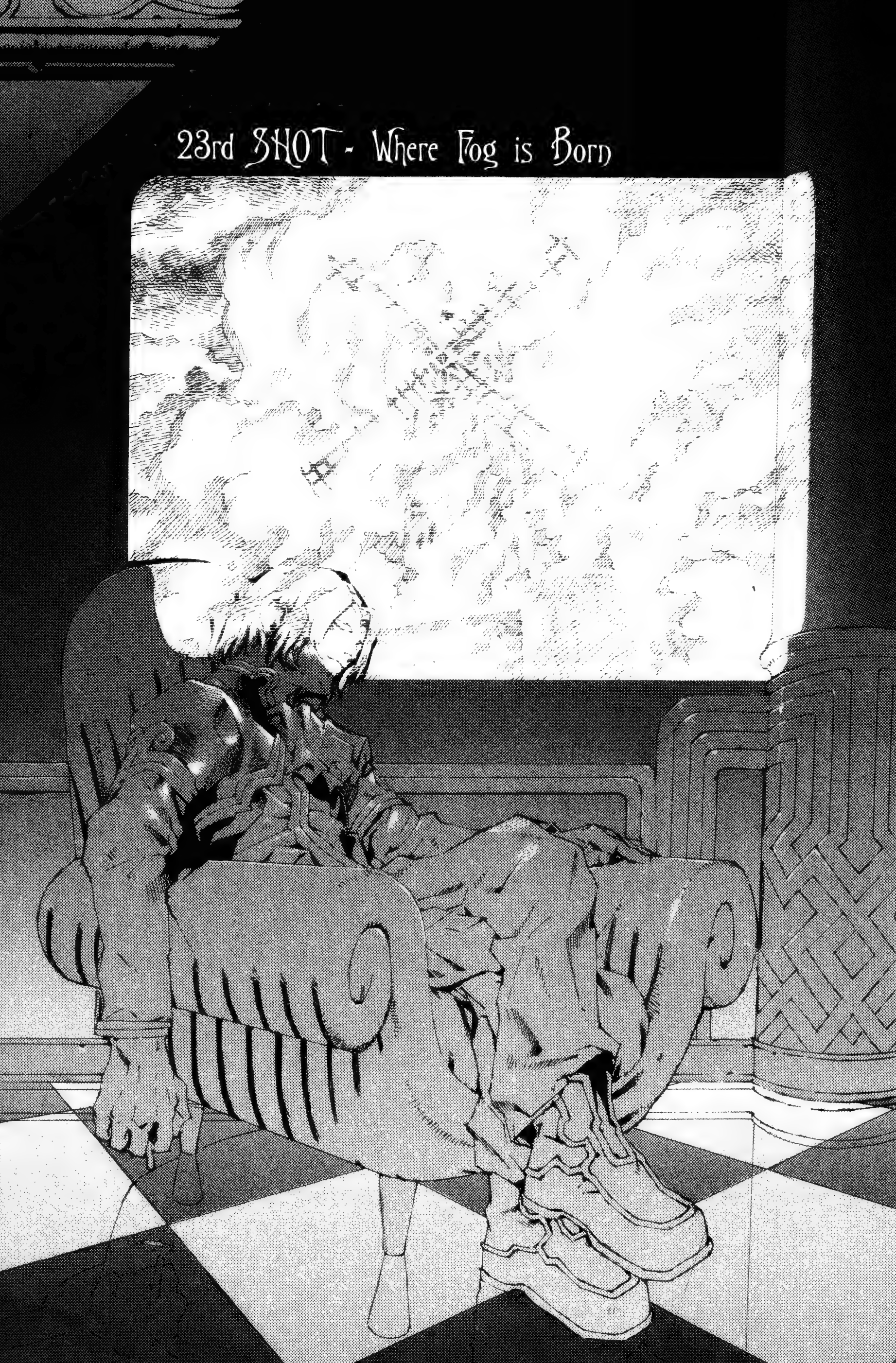
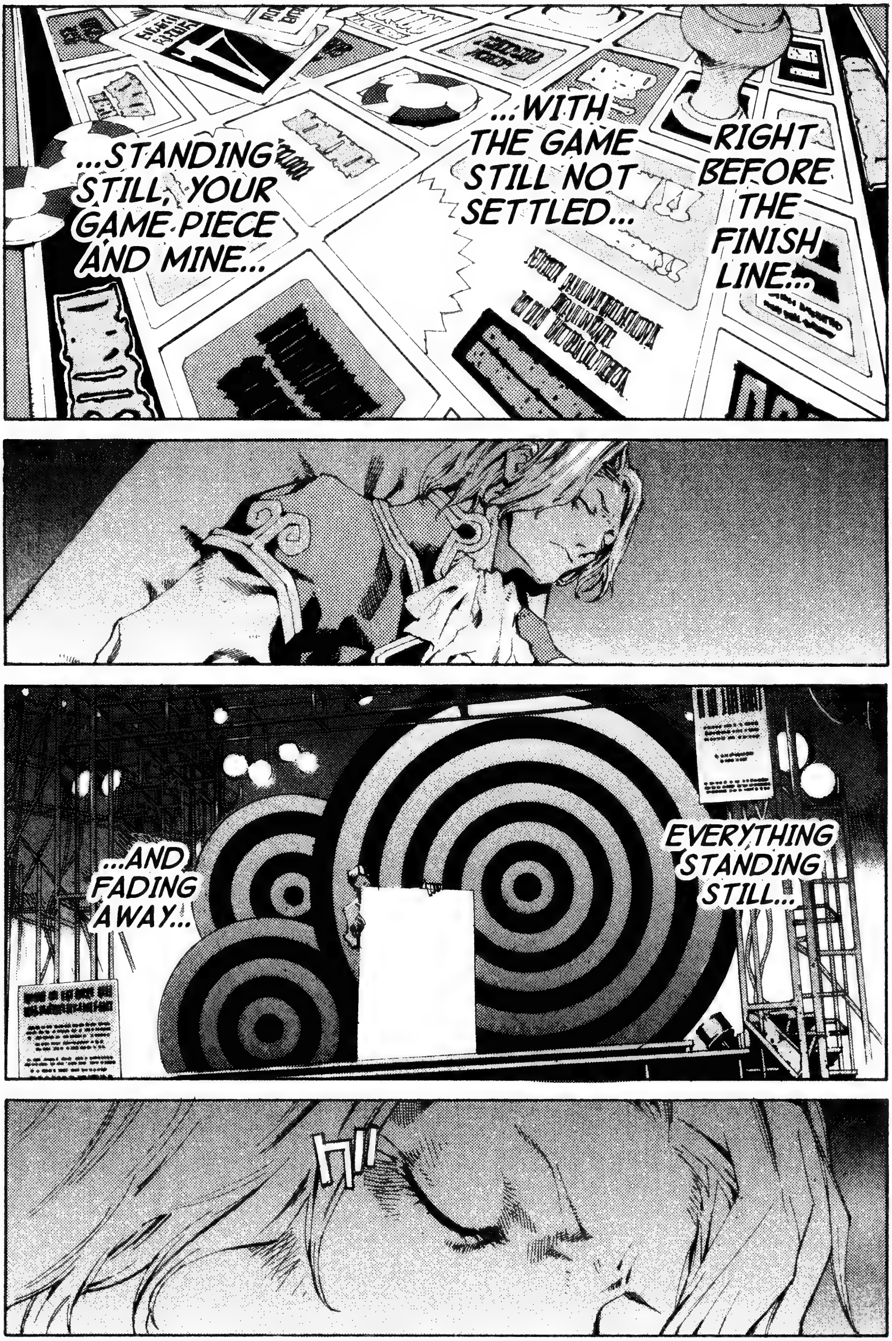
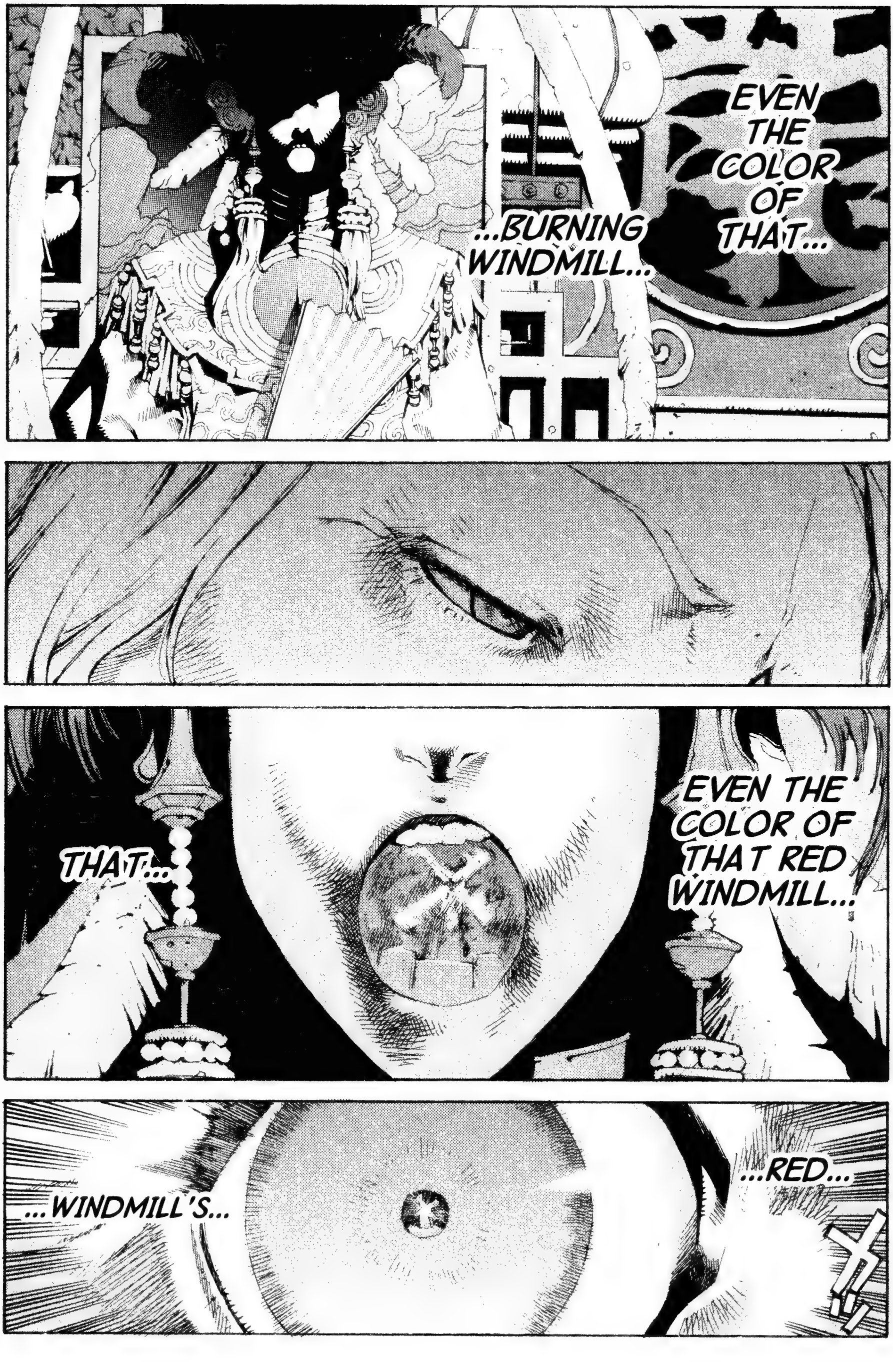
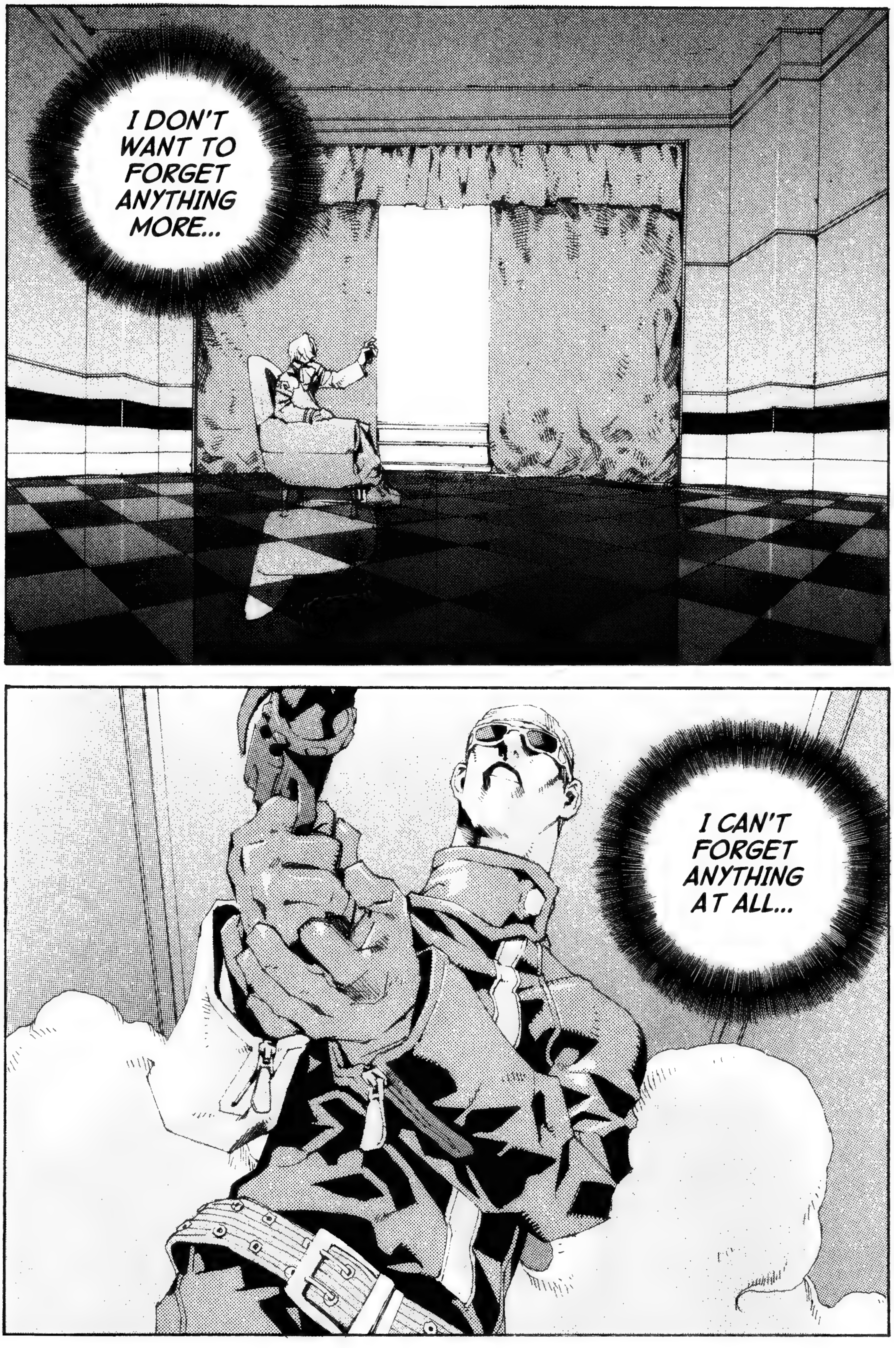
Accidental Accomplice END

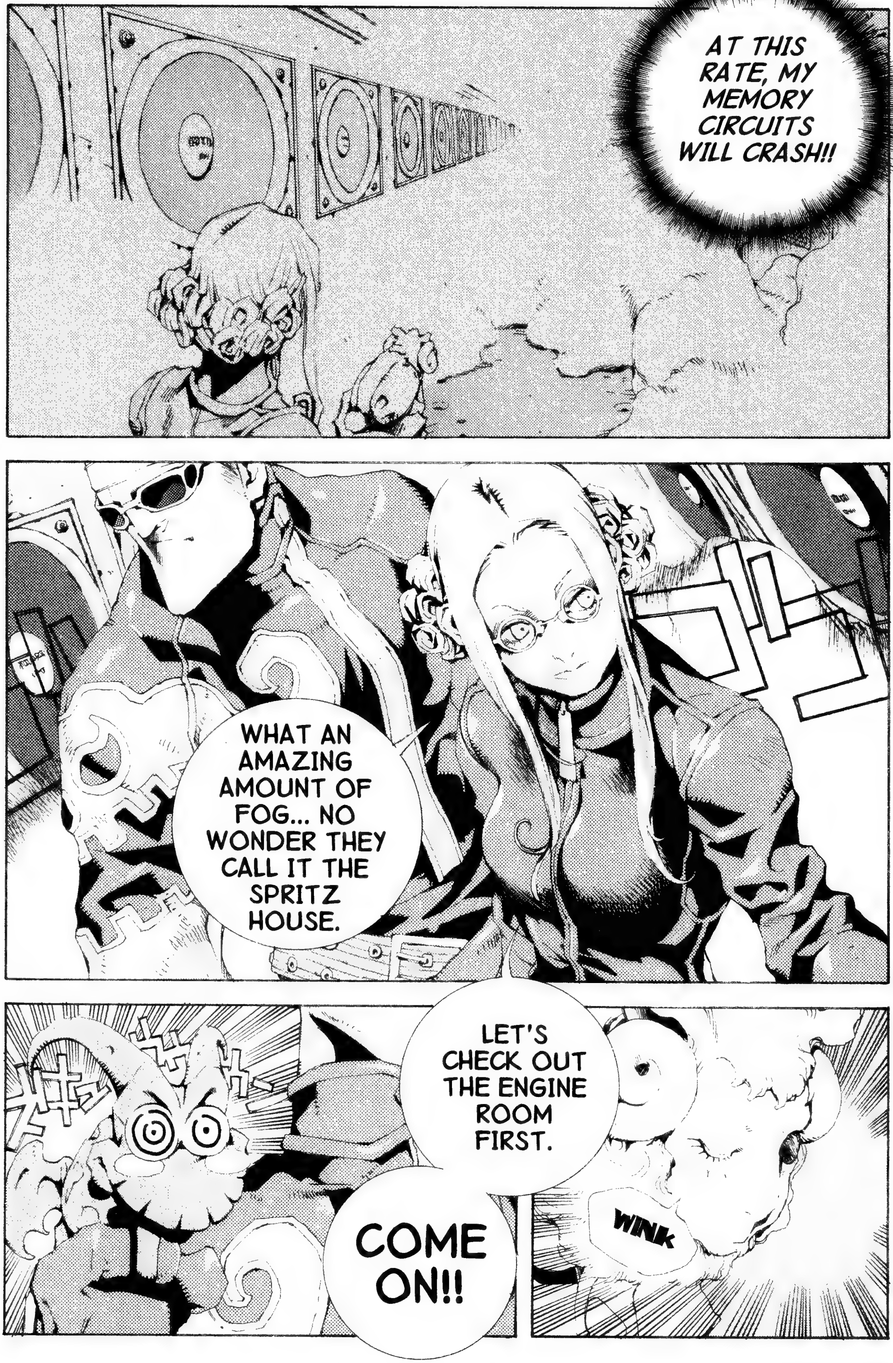
23rd SHOT - Where Fog is Born

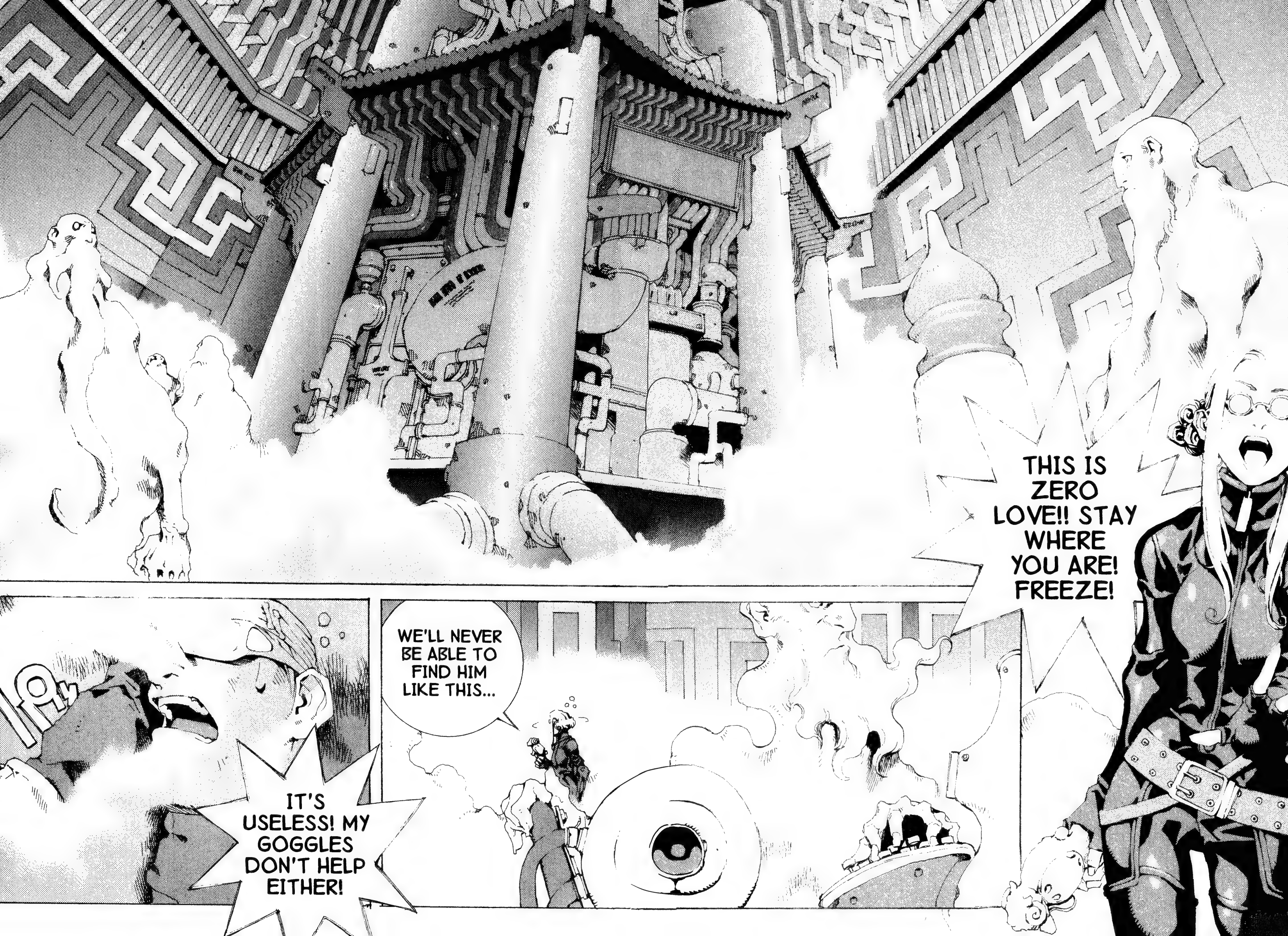


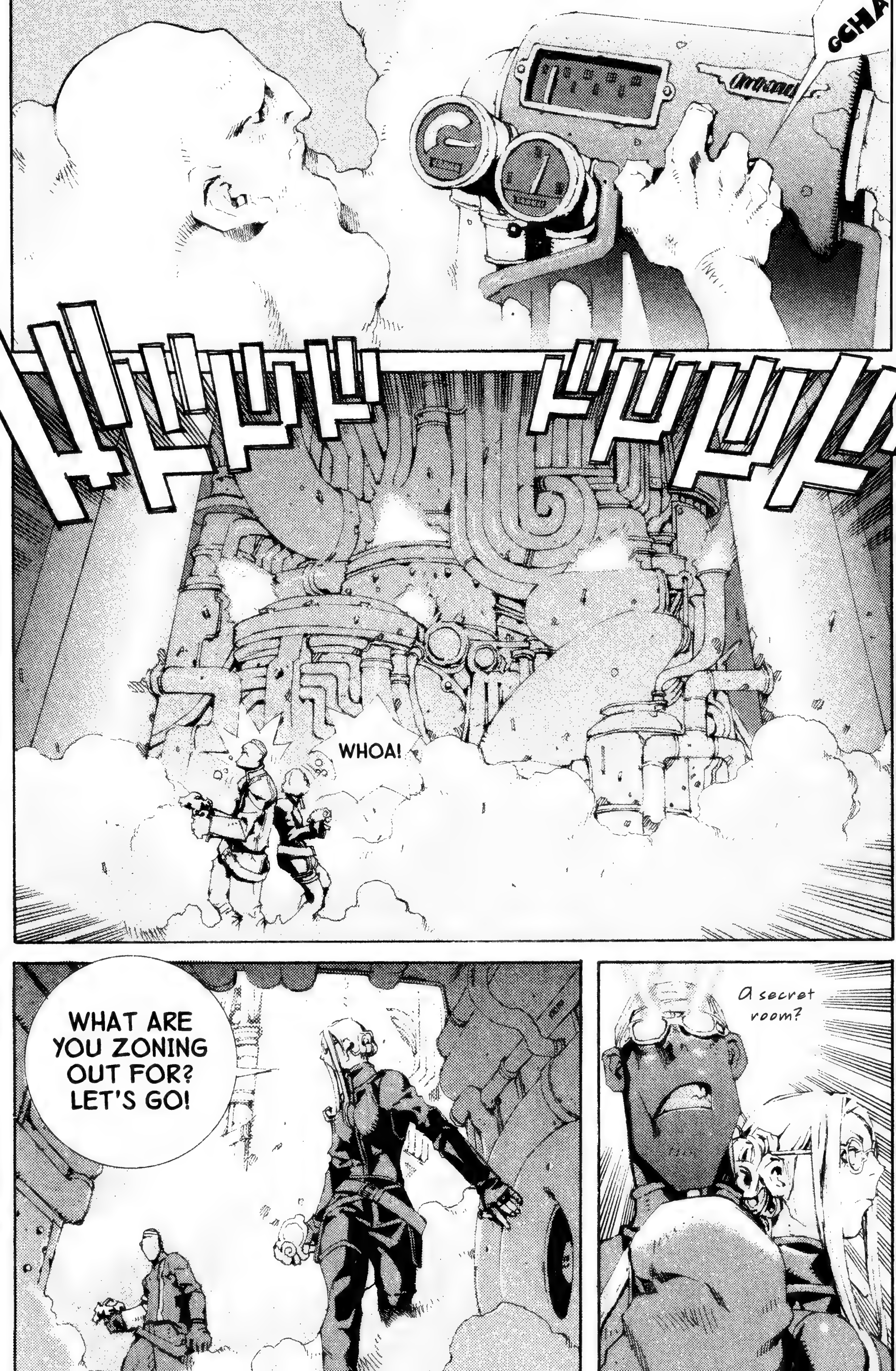

RIGHT BEFORE THE FINISH LINE...
...WITH THE GAME STILL NOT SETTLED...
...STANDING STILL, YOUR GAME PIECE AND MINE...
EVERYTHING STANDING STILL...
...AND FADING AWAY...
hi!

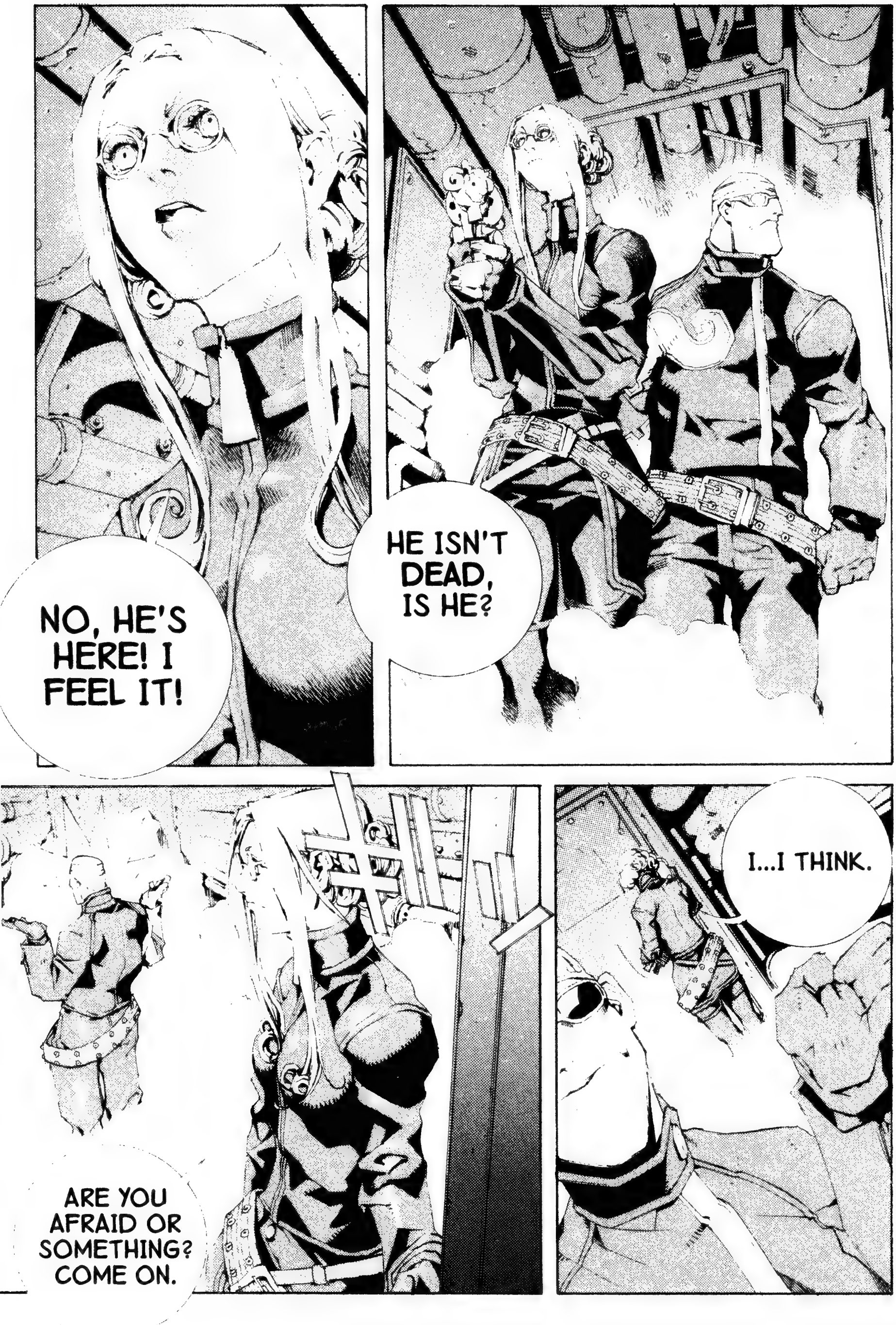

EVEN THE COLOR OF THAT...
...BURNING WINDMILL...
EVEN THE COLOR OF THAT RED WINDMILL...
THAT...
...RED...
...WINDMILL'S...

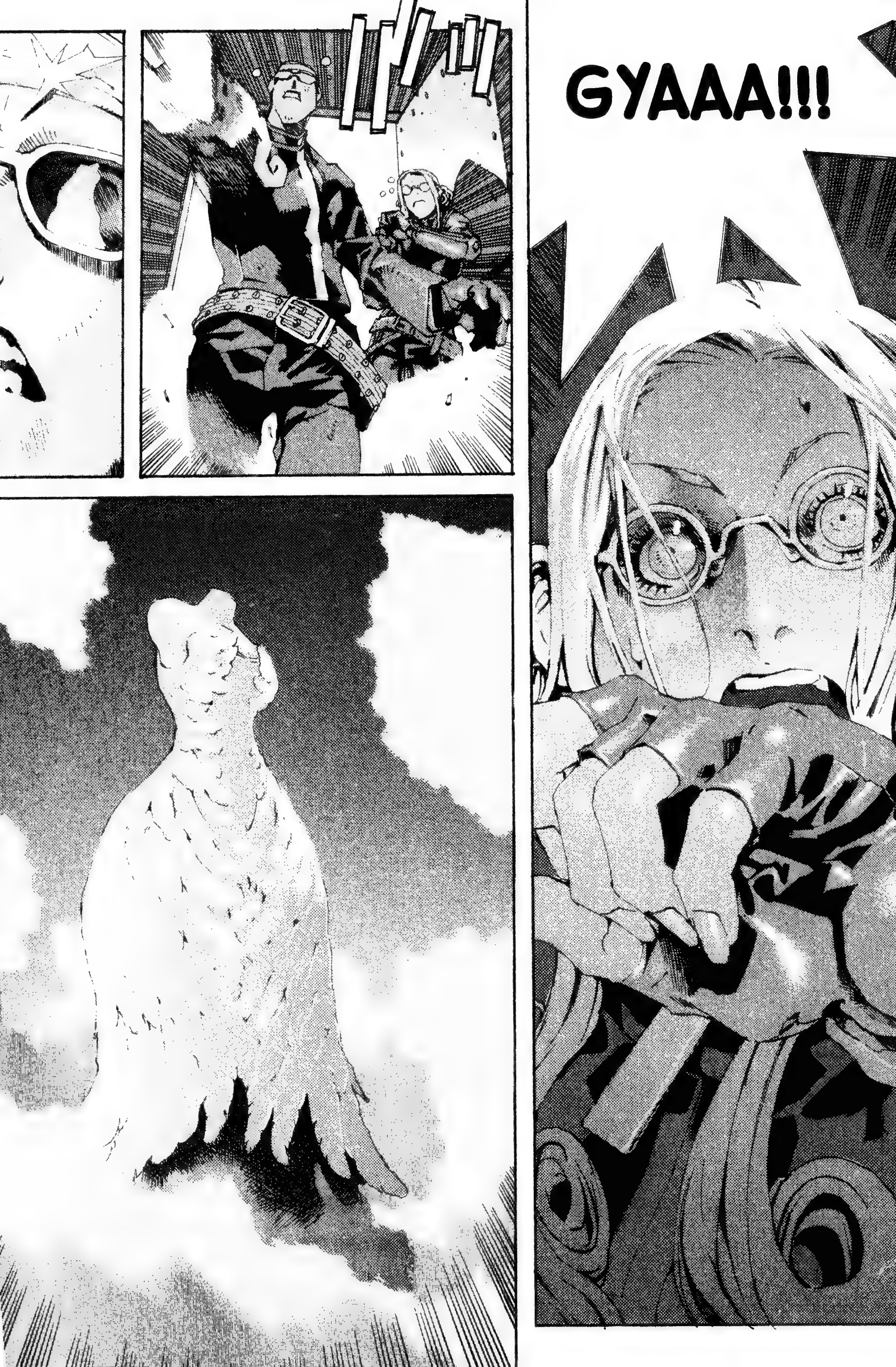

I DON'T WANT TO FORGET ANYTHING MORE...
I CAN'T FORGET ANYTHING AT ALL...

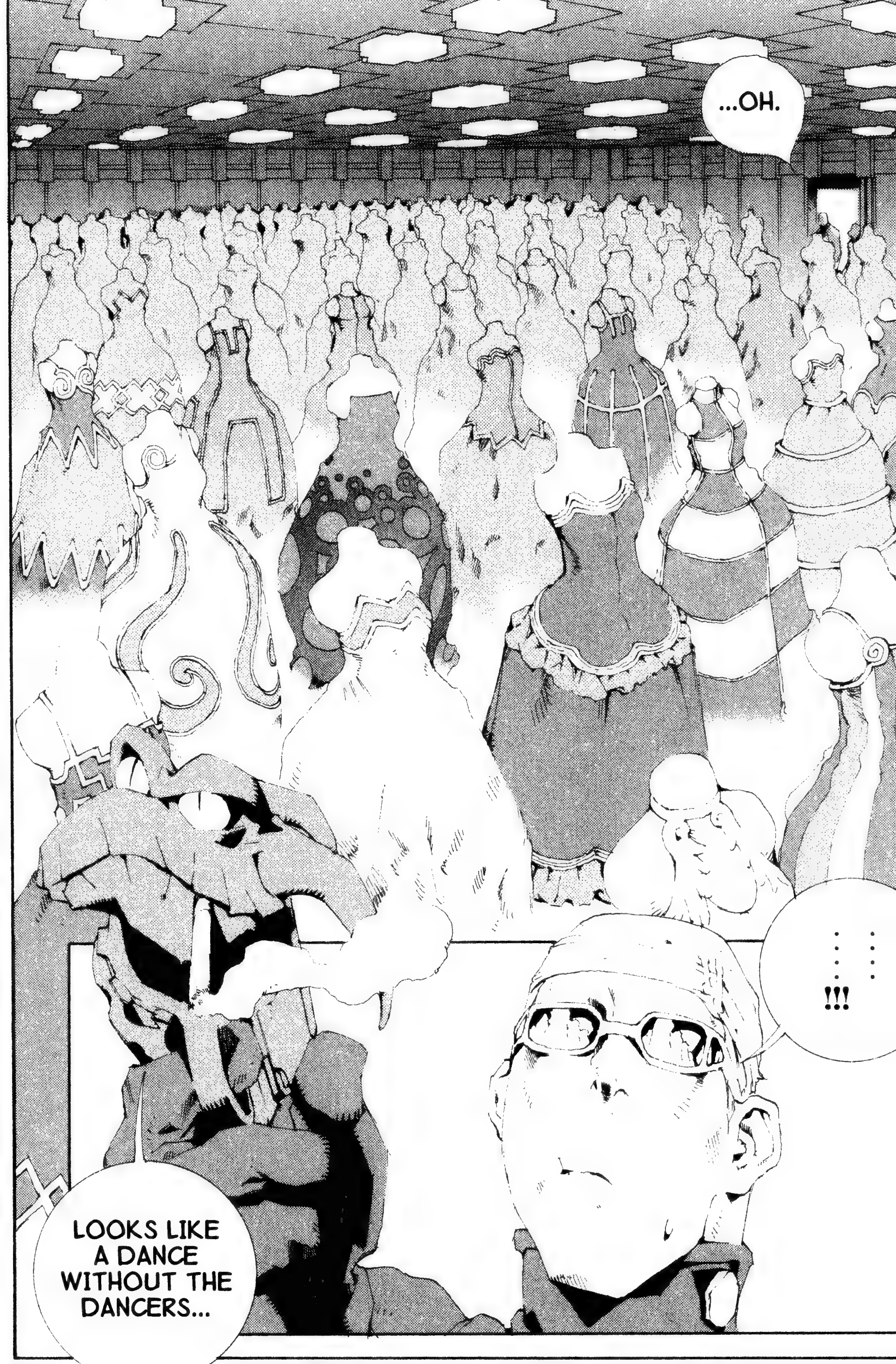

AT THIS RATE, MY MEMORY CIRCUITS WILL CRASH!!
WHAT AN AMAZING AMOUNT OF FOG... NO WONDER THEY CALL IT THE SPRITZ HOUSE.
LET'S CHECK OUT THE ENGINE ROOM FIRST.
COME ON!!
WINK


THIS IS ZERO LOVE!! STAY WHERE YOU ARE! FREEZE!
WE'LL NEVER BE ABLE TO FIND HIM LIKE THIS...
IT'S USELESS! MY GOGGLES DON'T HELP EITHER!


GCHA
WHOA!
A secret room?
WHAT ARE YOU ZONING OUT FOR? LET'S GO!


HE ISN'T DEAD, IS HE?
NO, HE'S HERE! I FEEL IT!
I...I THINK.
ARE YOU AFRAID OR SOMETHING? COME ON.


GYAAA!!!


...OH.
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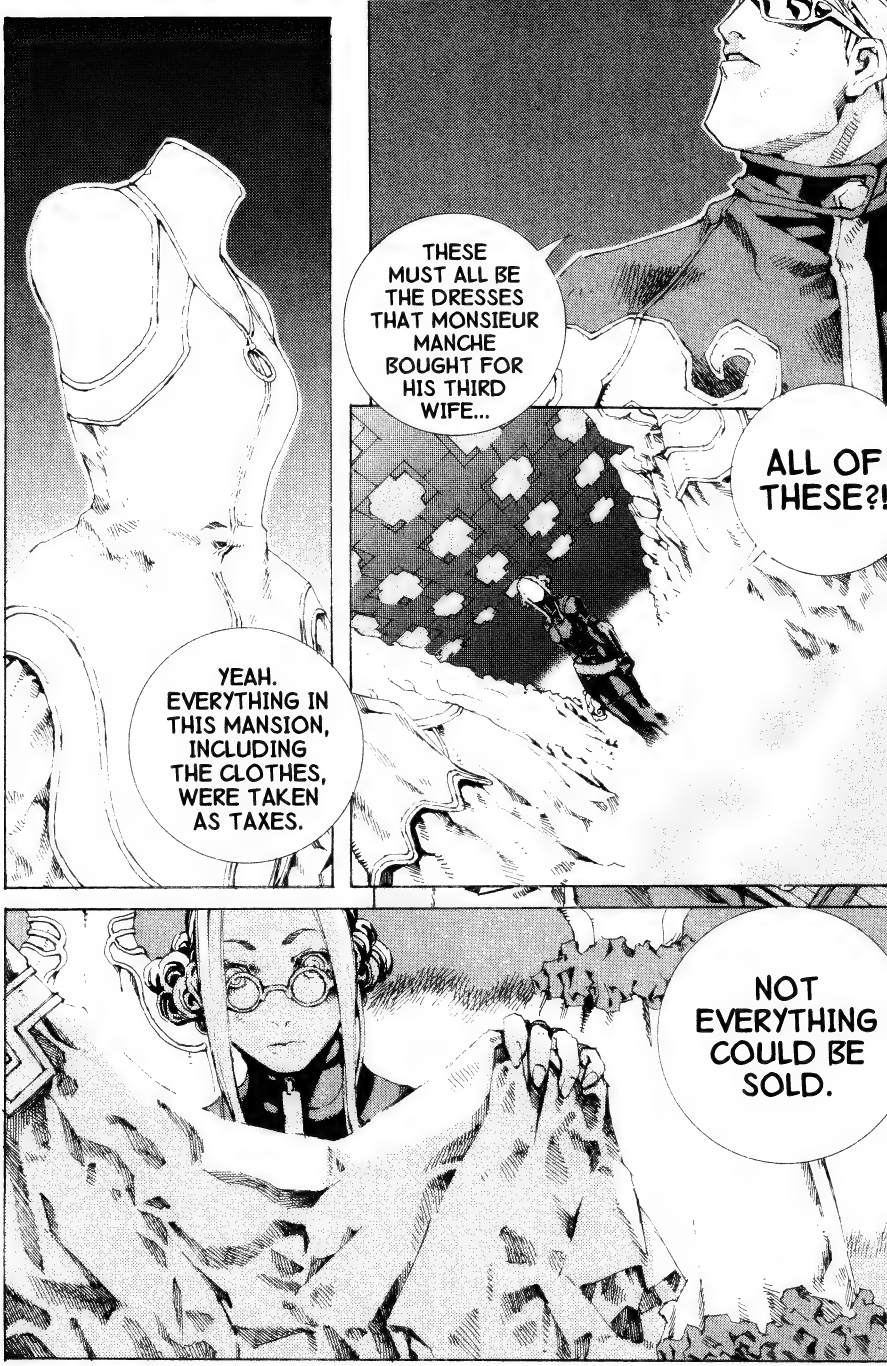
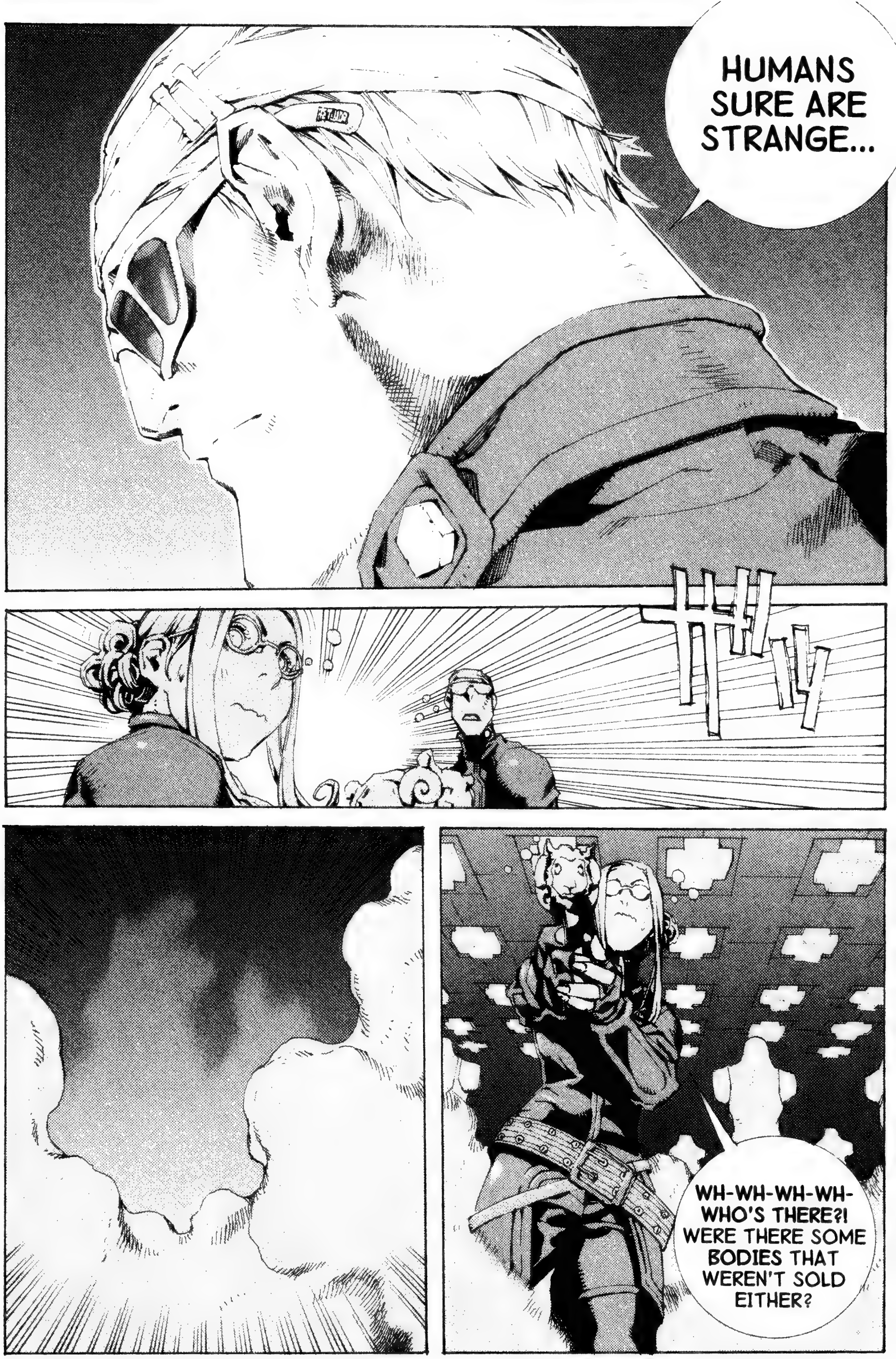
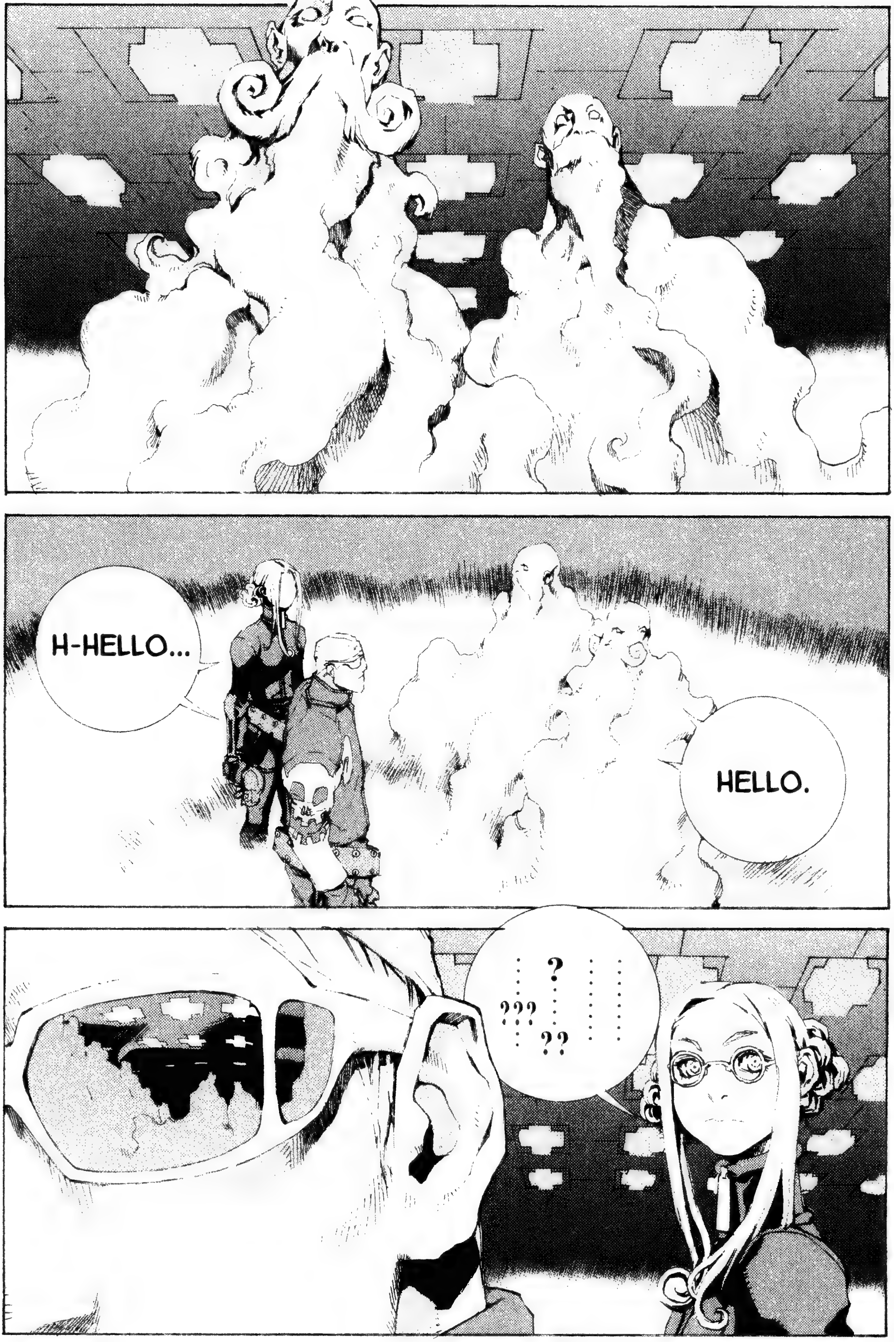
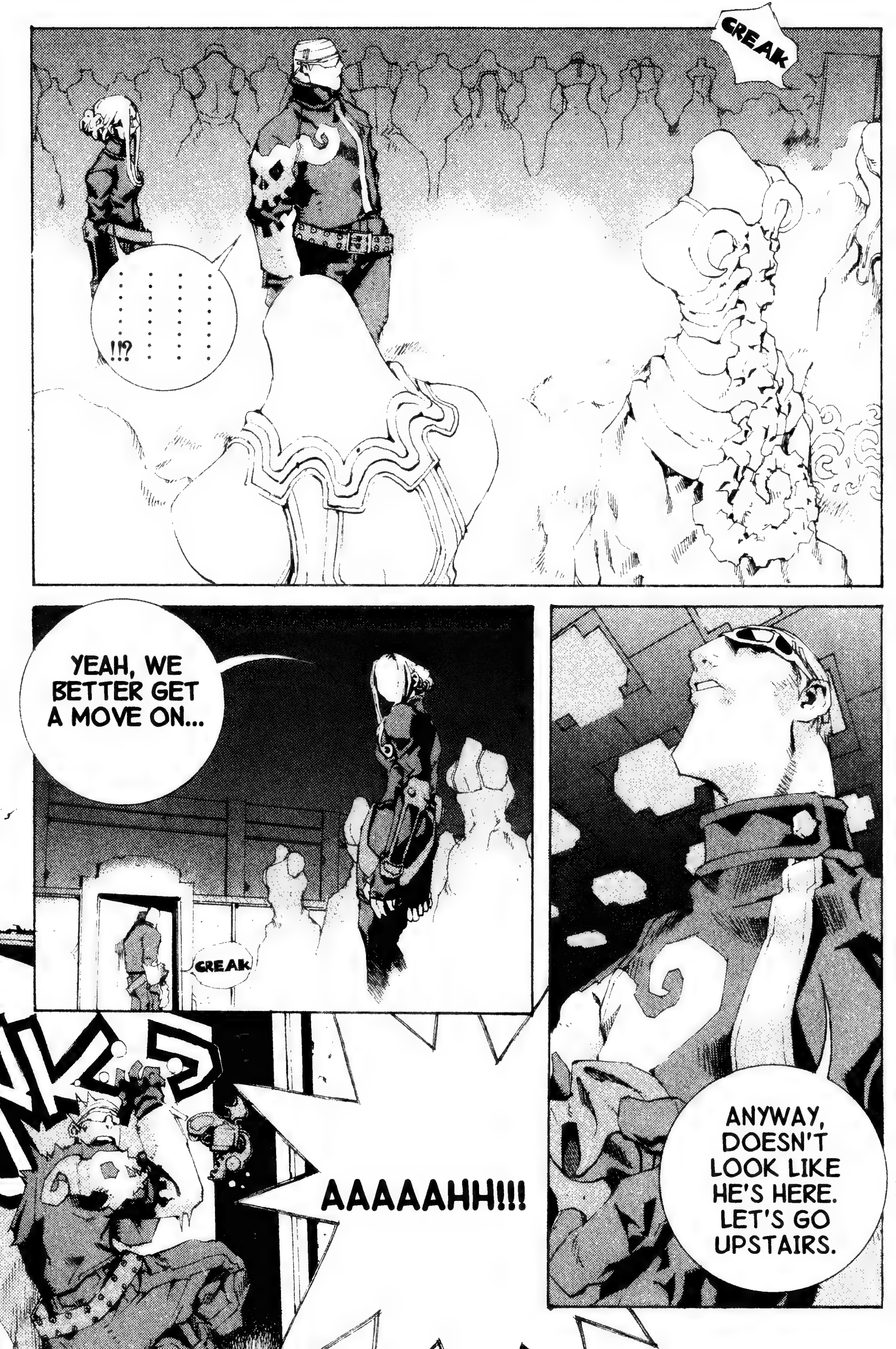
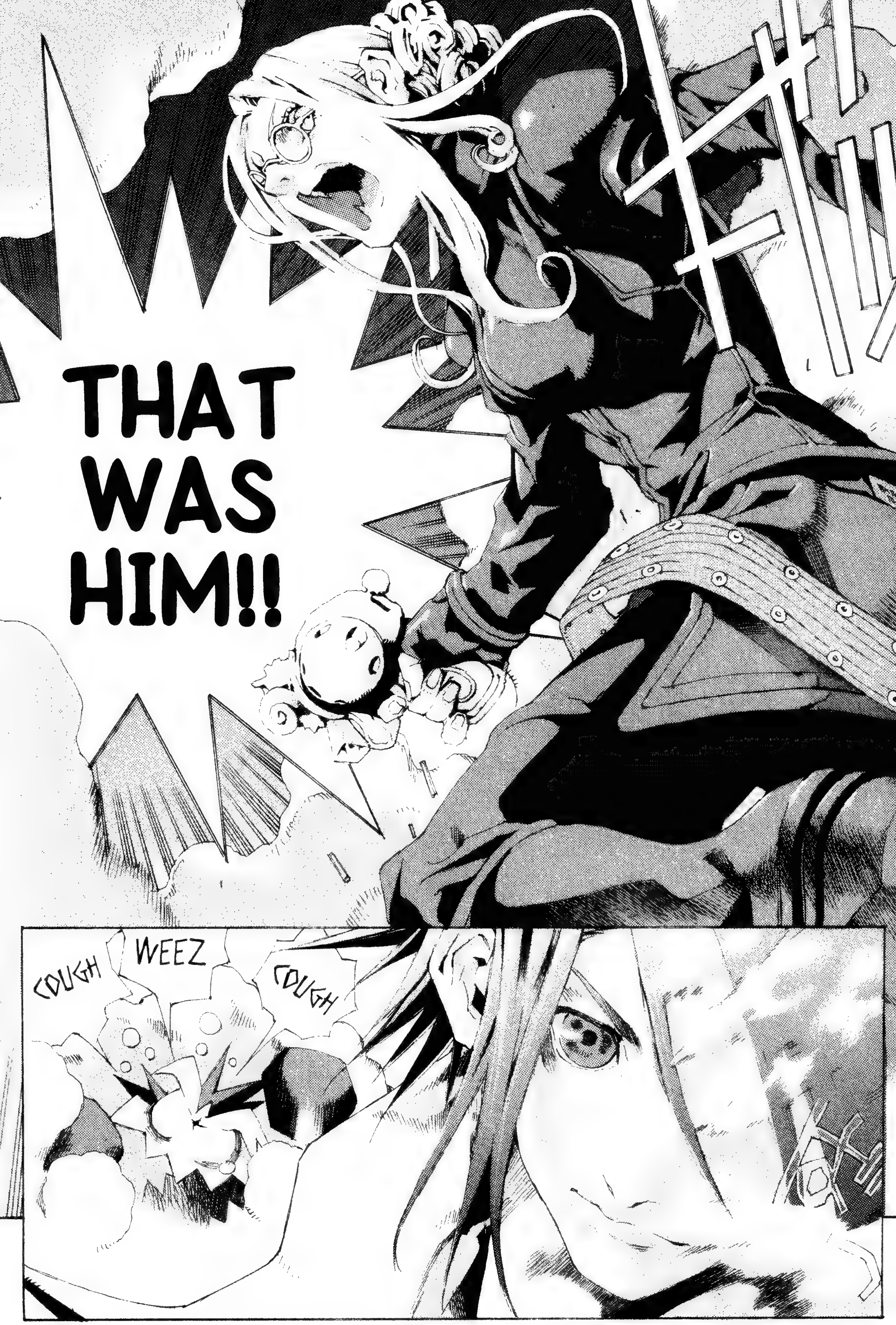
LOOKS LIKE A DANCE WITHOUT THE DANCERS...

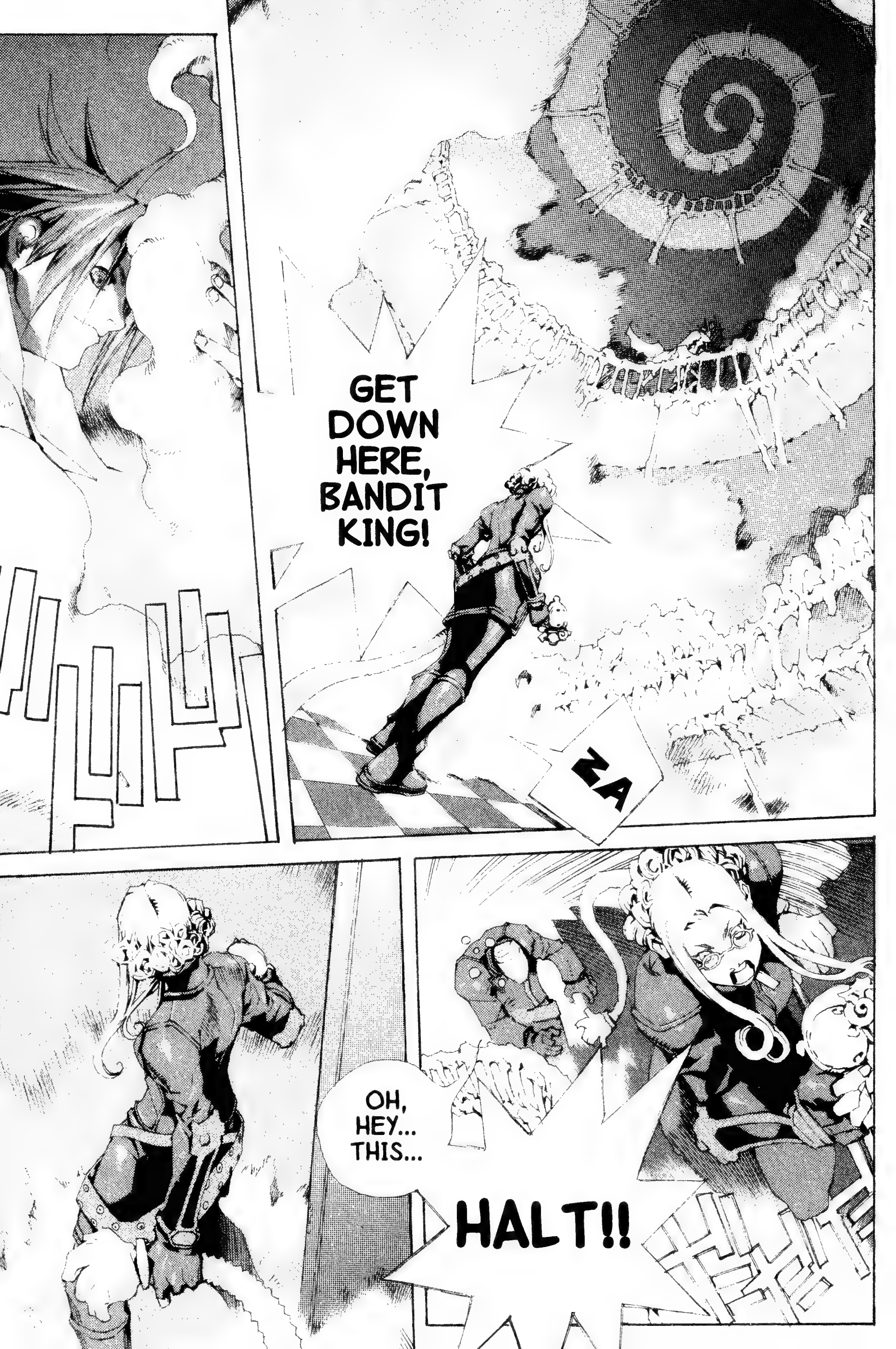

THESE MUST ALL BE THE DRESSES THAT MONSIEUR MANCHE BOUGHT FOR HIS THIRD WIFE...
ALL OF THESE?!
YEAH. EVERYTHING IN THIS MANSION, INCLUDING THE CLOTHES, WERE TAKEN AS TAXES.
NOT EVERYTHING COULD BE SOLD.

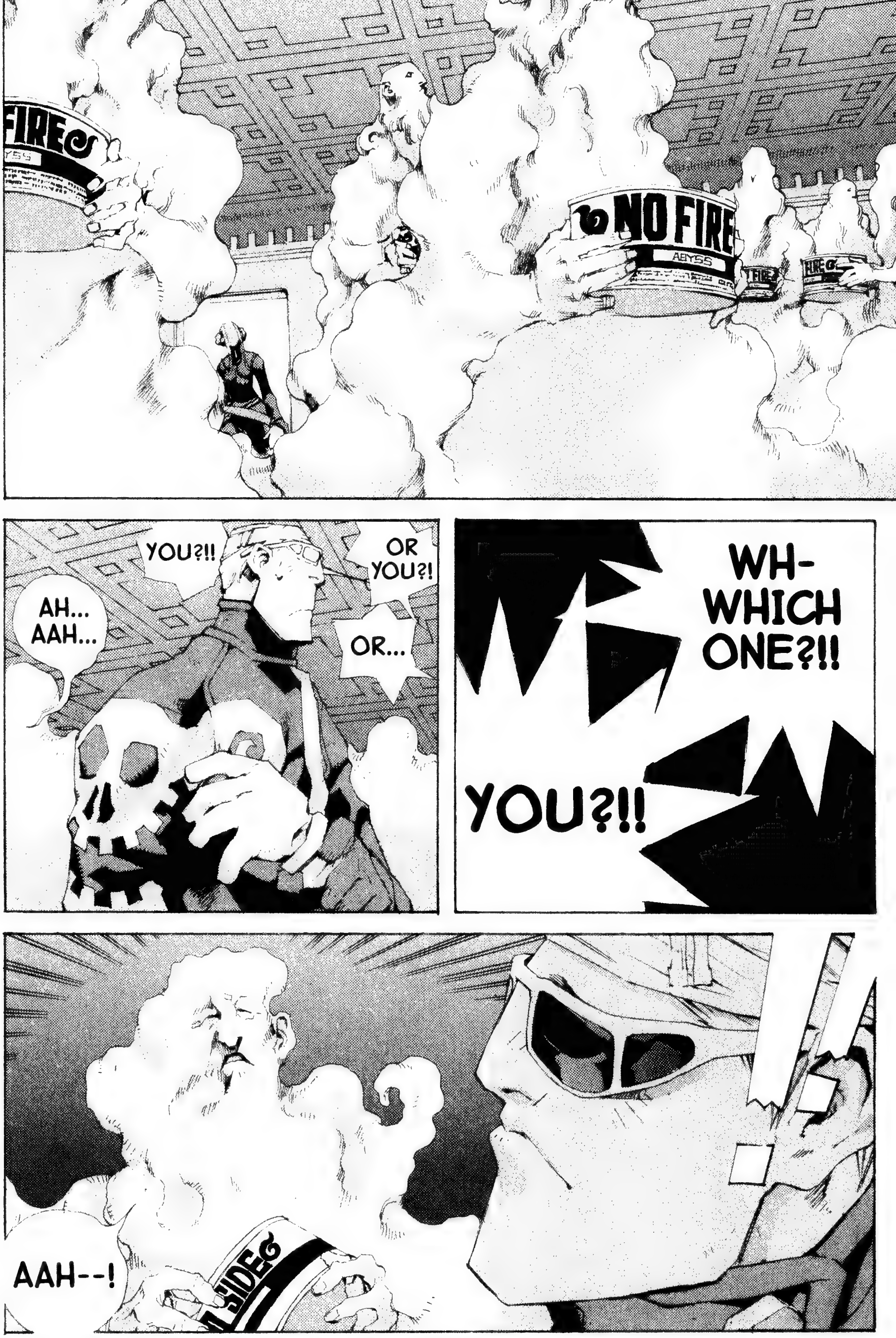

HUMANS SURE ARE STRANGE...
HHUY
WH-WH-WH-WH-WHO'S THERE?! WERE THERE SOME BODIES THAT WEREN'T SOLD EITHER?

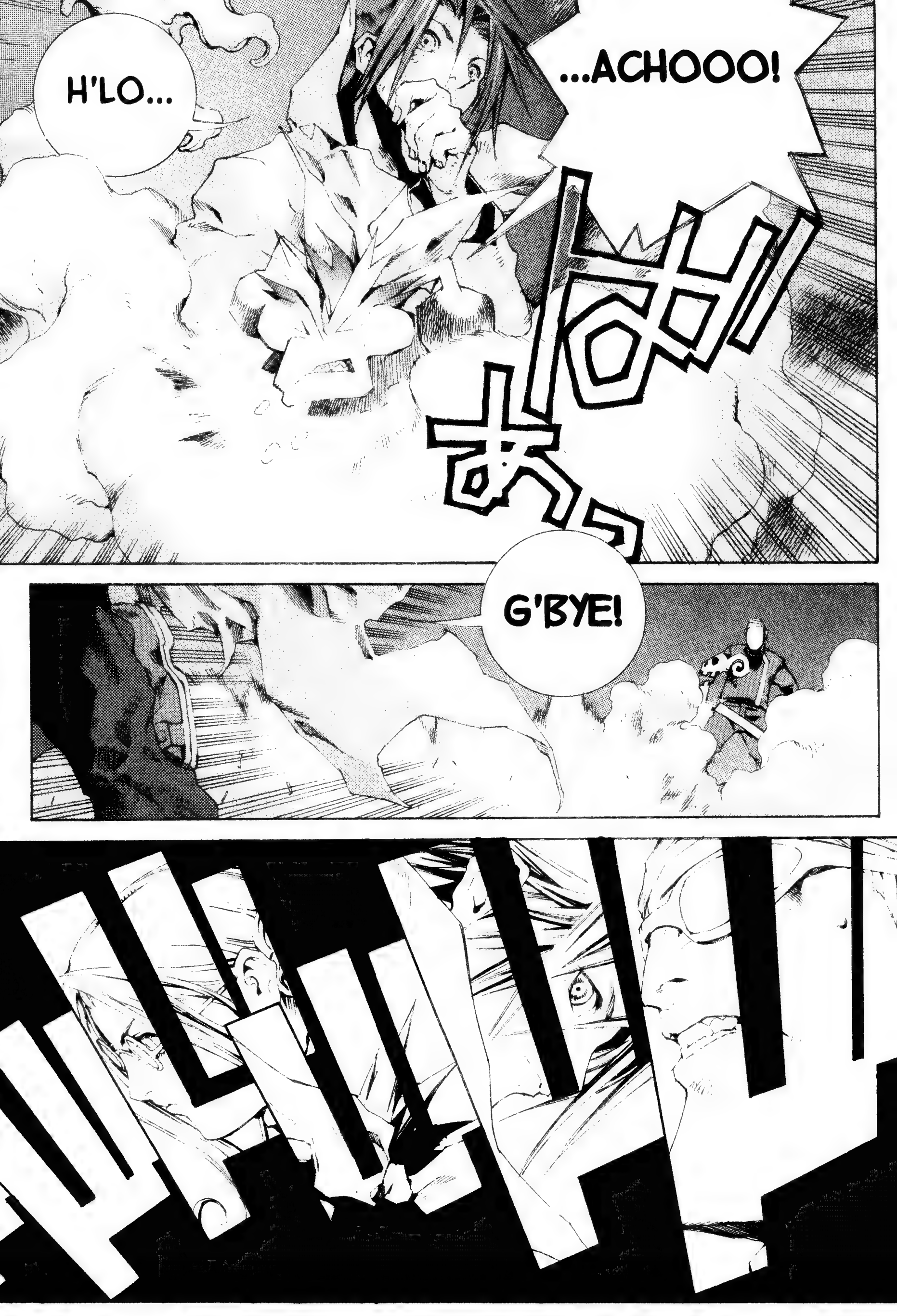

H-HELLO...
HELLO.
? ??? ??

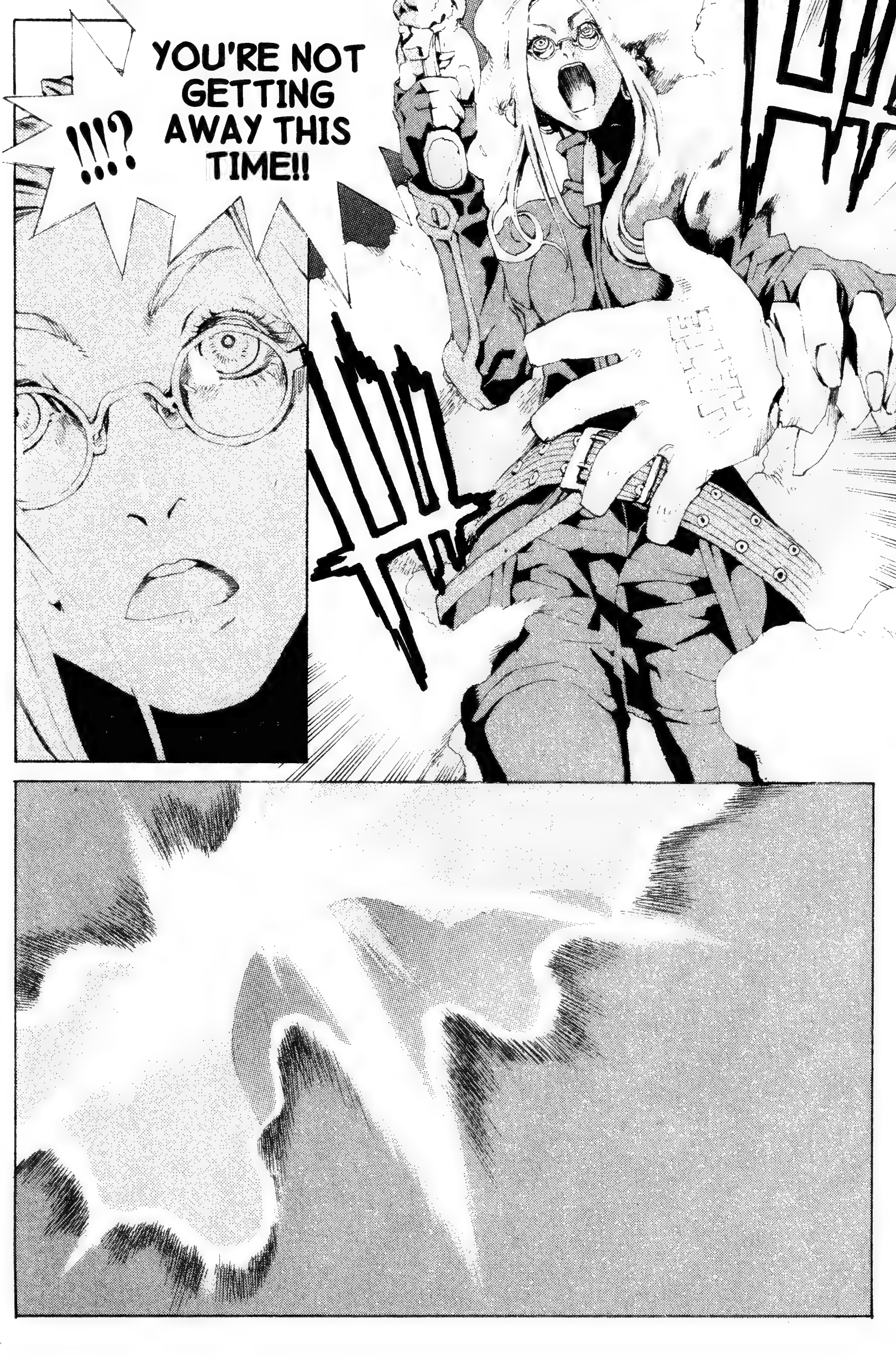

CREAK
......!!?
ANYWAY, DOESN'T LOOK LIKE HE'S HERE. LET'S GO UPSTAIRS.
YEAH, WE BETTER GET A MOVE ON...
CREAK
AAAAAHH!!!

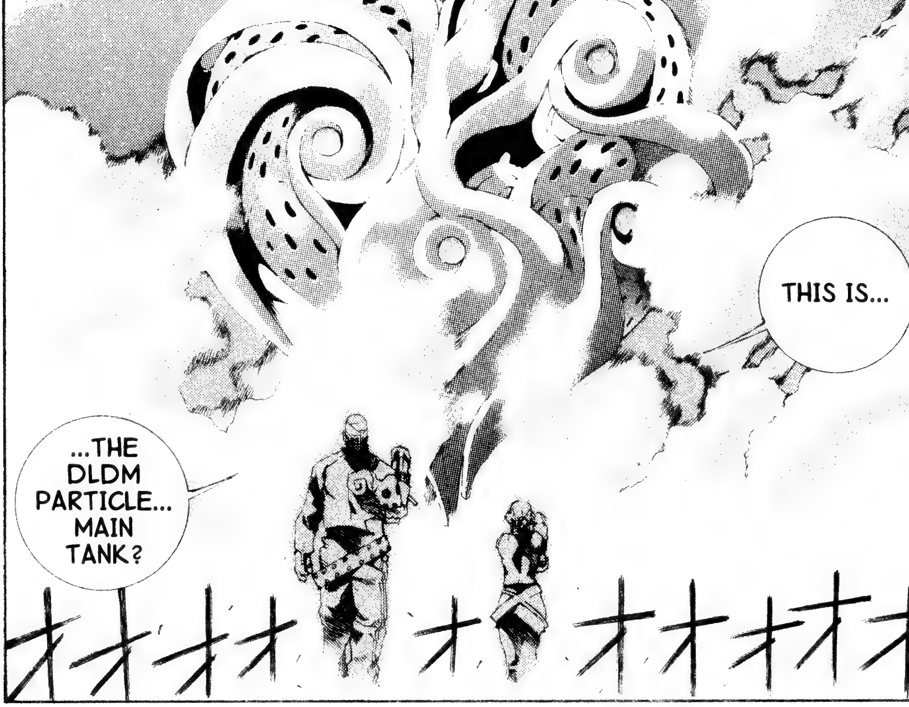

THAT WAS HIM!!
COUGH
WEEZ
COUGH


GET DOWN HERE, BANDIT KING!
ZA
OH, HEY... THIS...
HALT!!


FIRE
ABYSS
NO FIRE
ABYSS
FIRE
FIRE
AH... AAH...
YOU?!!
OR YOU?!
OR...
WH- WHICH ONE?!!
YOU?!!
AAH--!


...ACHOOO!
H'LO...
はあっ
G'BYE!


YOU'RE NOT GETTING AWAY THIS TIME!!
!!!?


THIS IS...
...THE DLDM PARTICLE... MAIN TANK?
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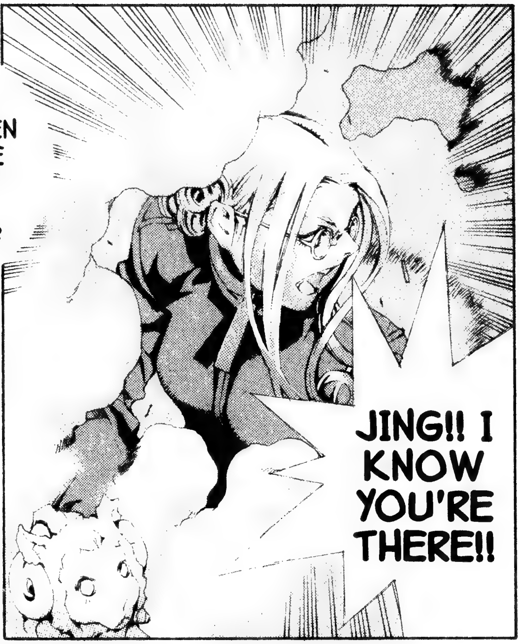
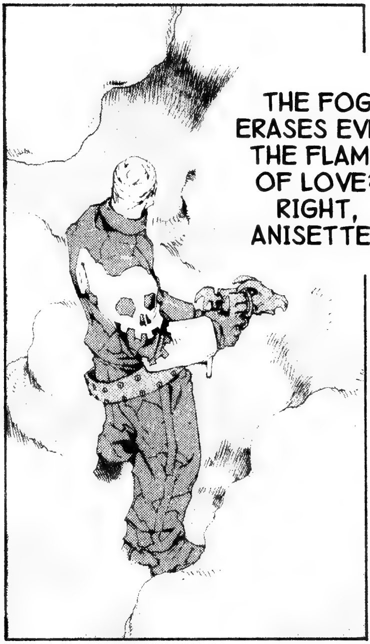
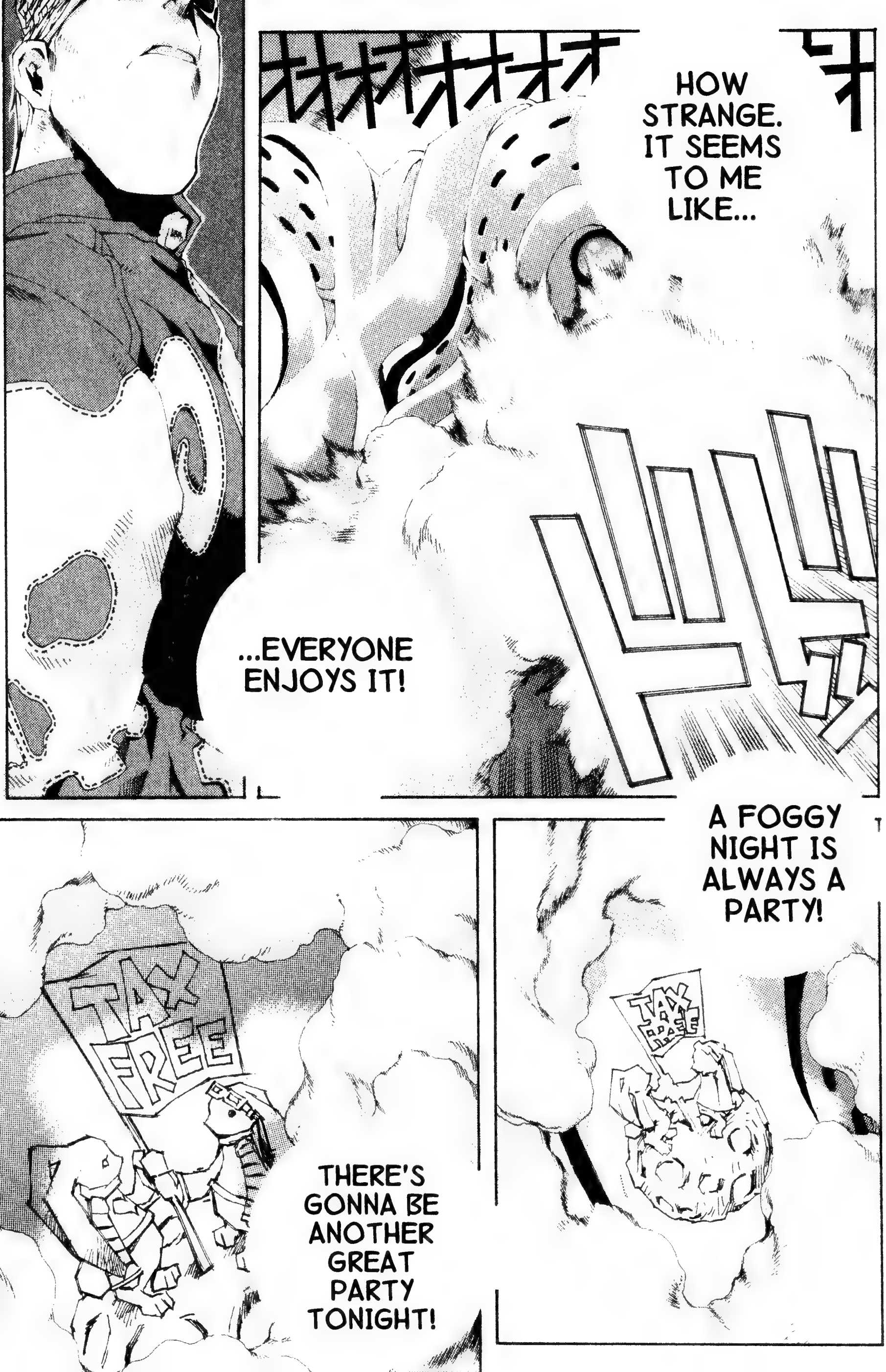

JING!! I KNOW YOU'RE THERE!!


THE FOG ERASES EVEN THE FLAME OF LOVE? RIGHT, ANISETTE?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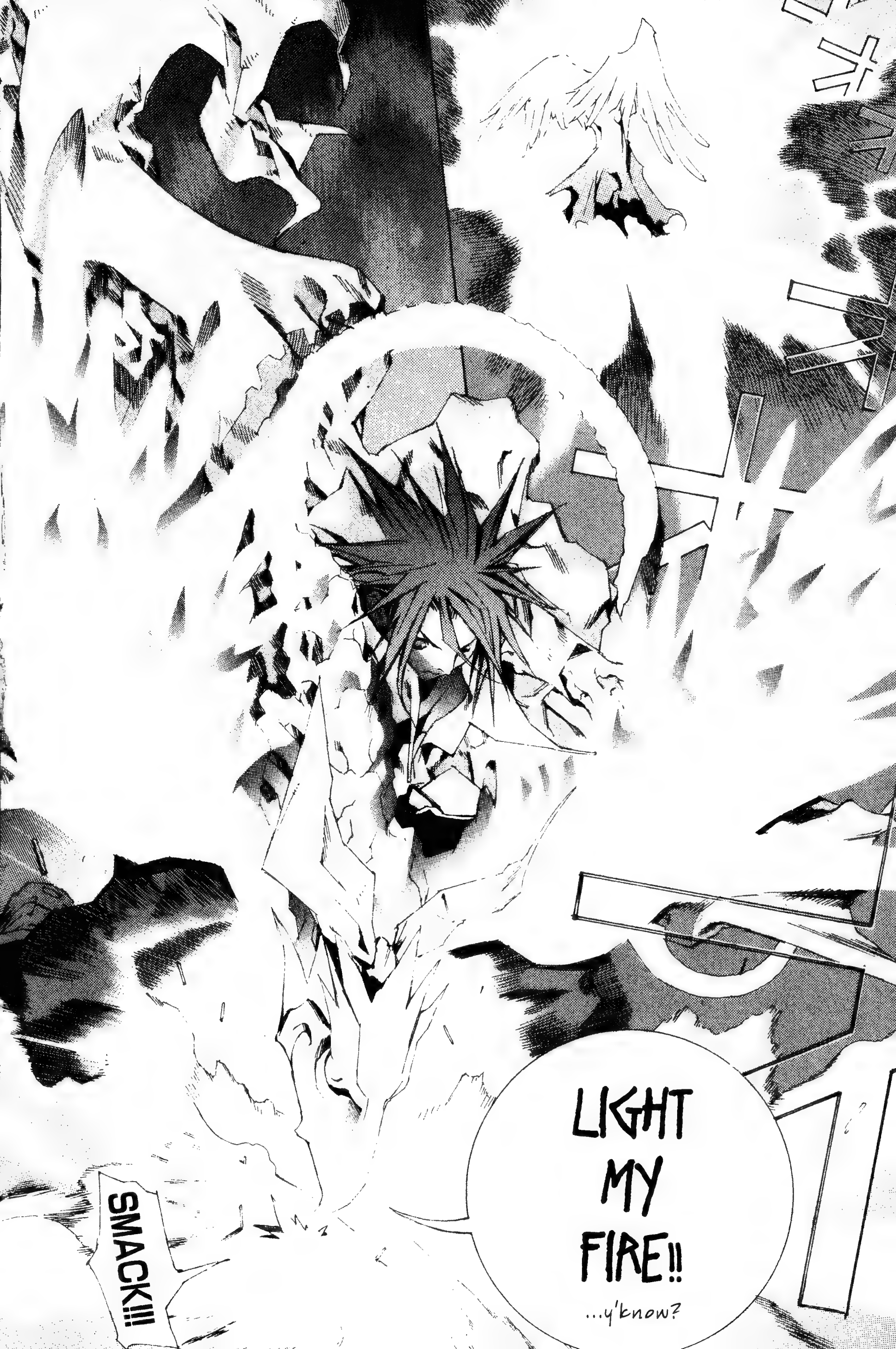
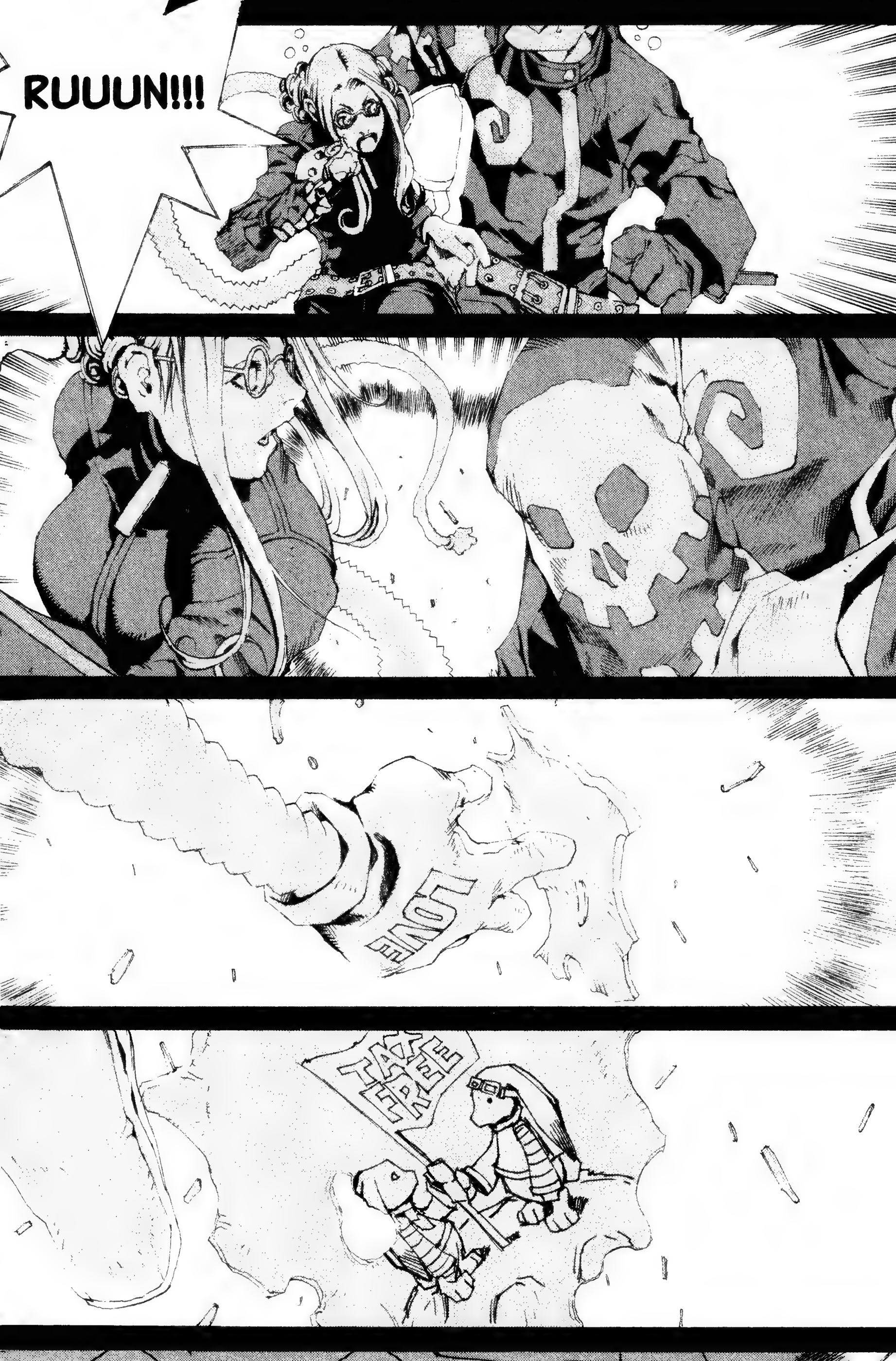
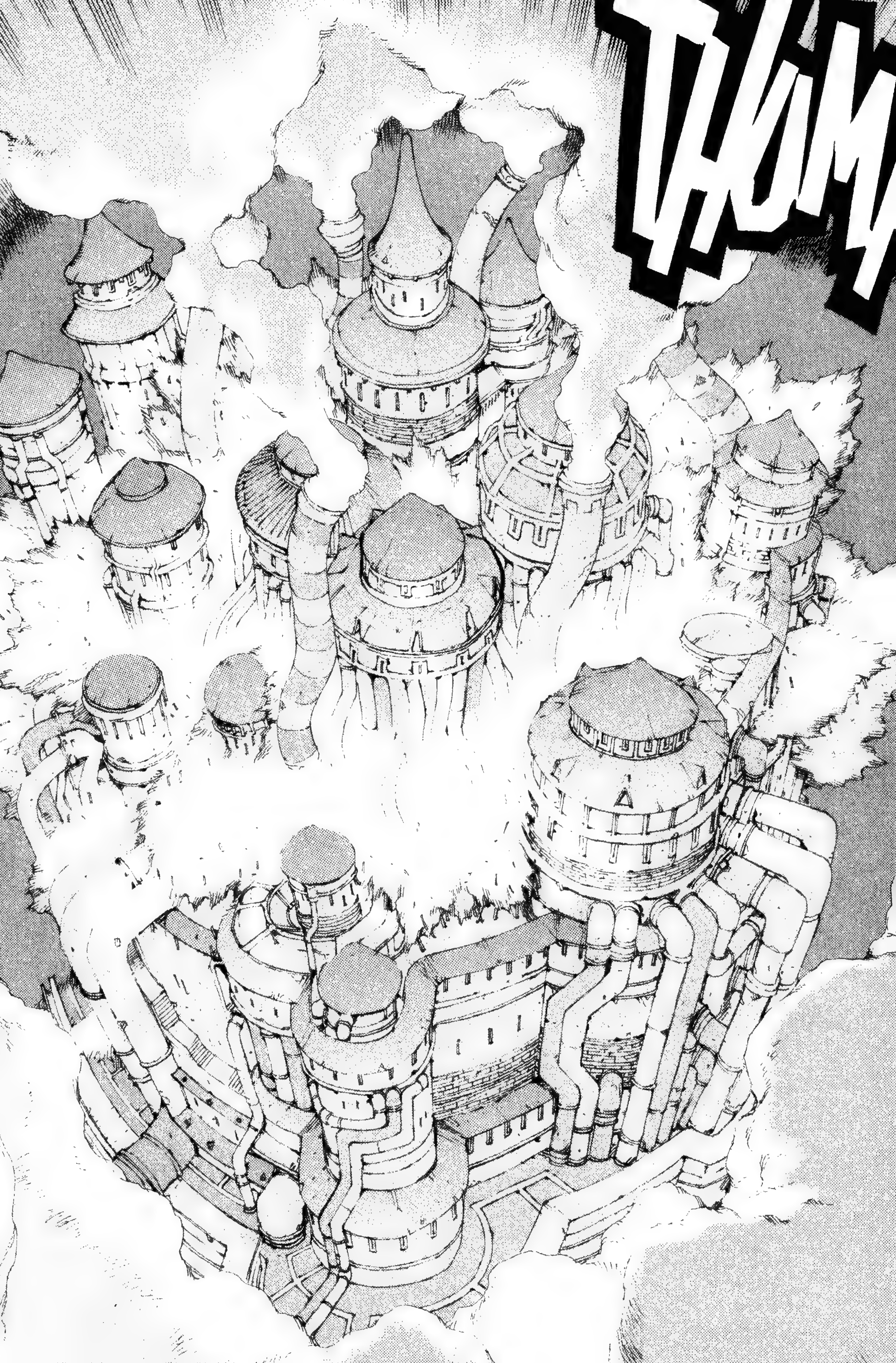
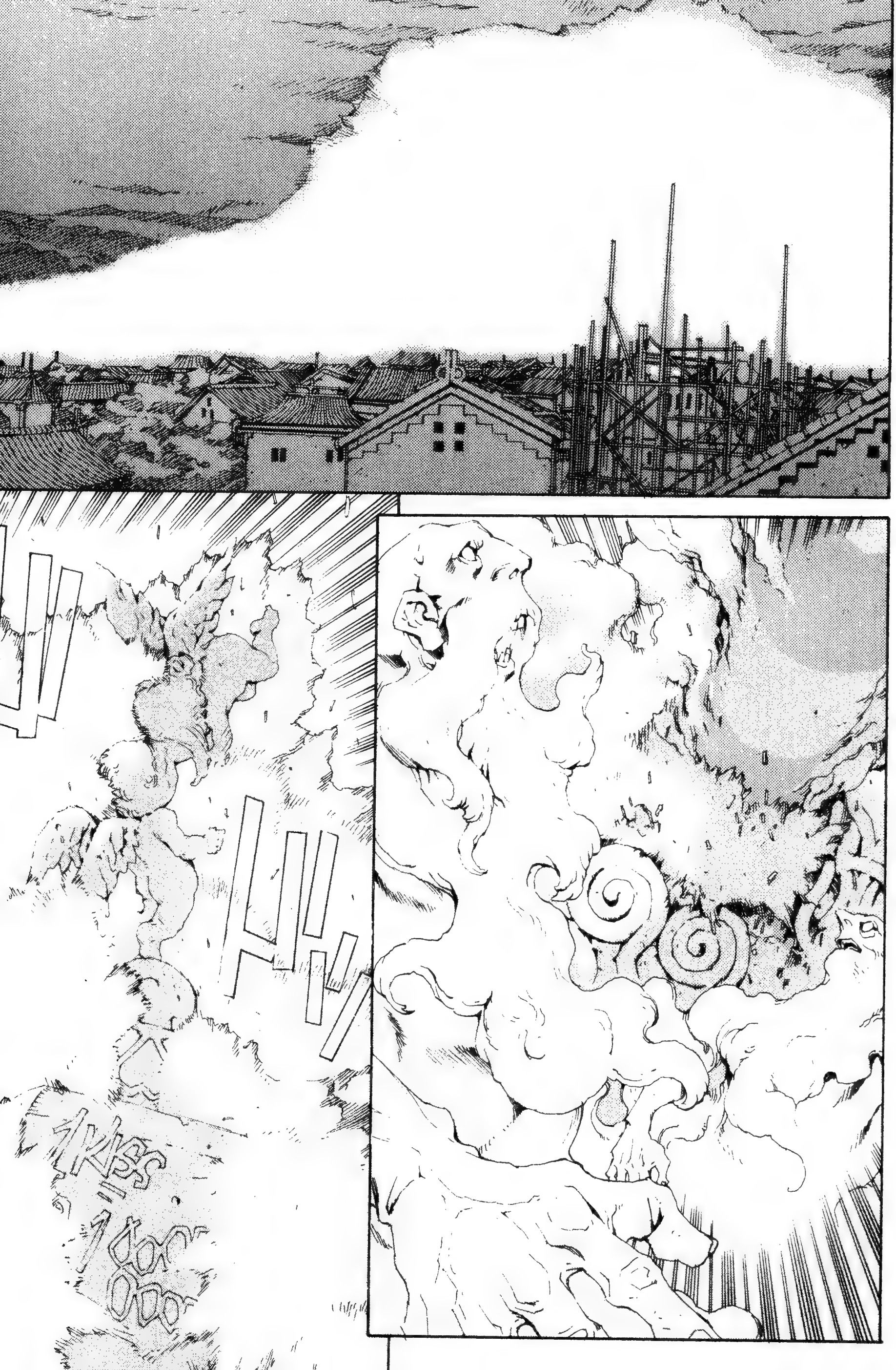
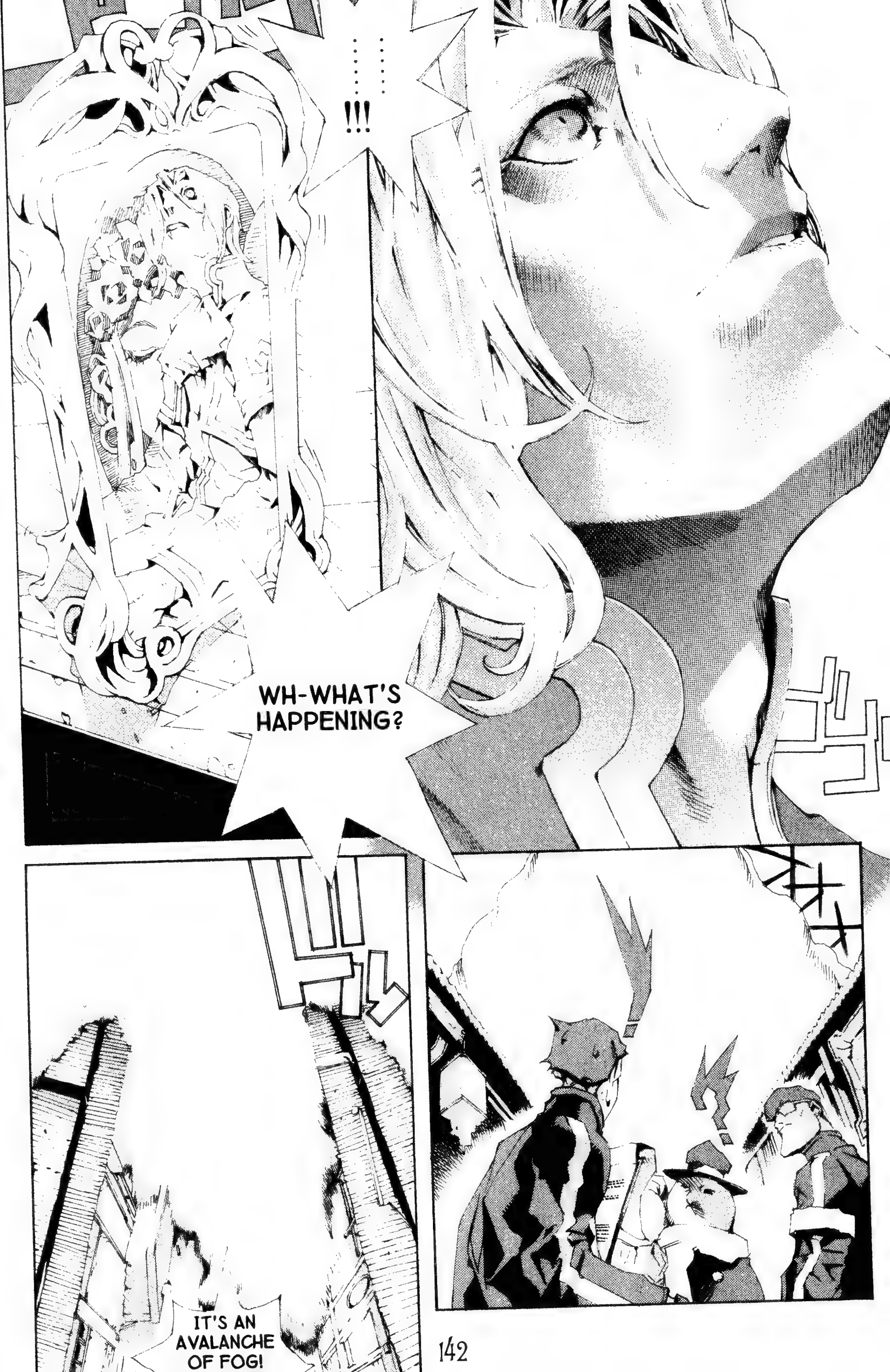
HOW STRANGE. IT SEEMS TO ME LIKE...
...EVERYONE ENJOYS IT!
A FOGGY NIGHT IS ALWAYS A PARTY!
TAX FREE
THERE'S GONNA BE ANOTHER GREAT PARTY TONIGHT!


LIGHT MY FIRE!!
...y'know?
SMACK!!!


RUUUN!!!
LOVE
TAKE FREE


THUM

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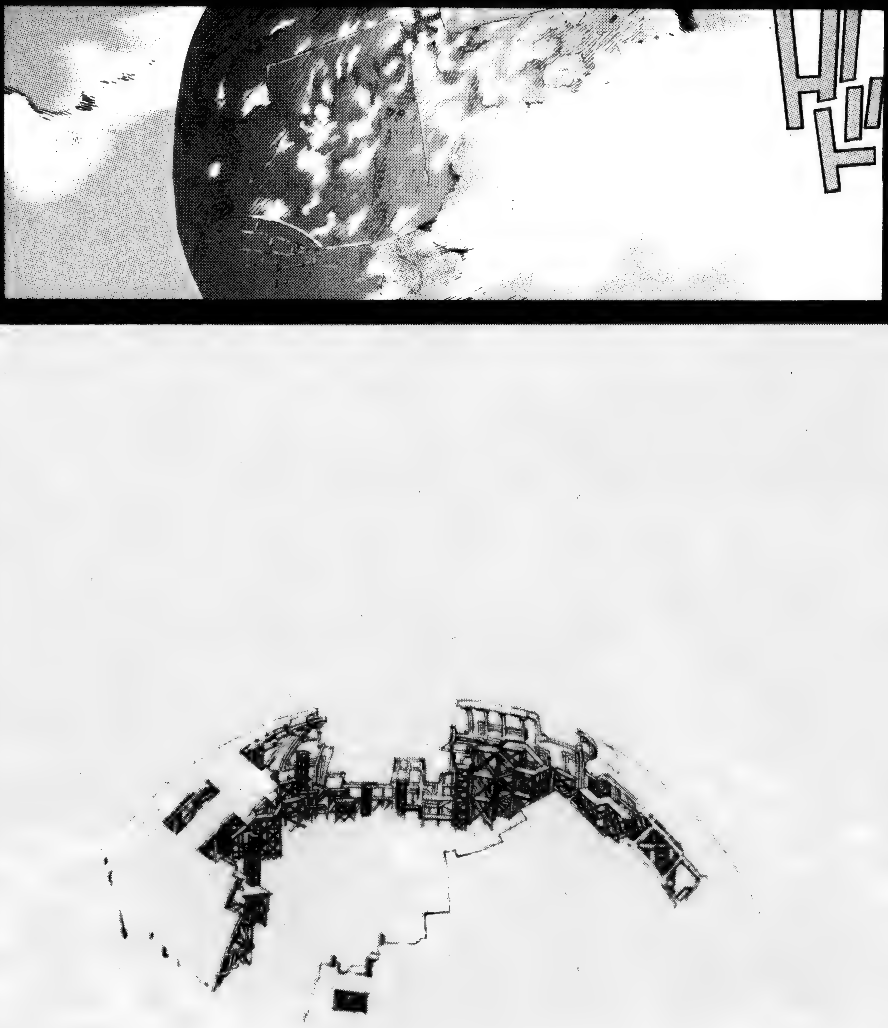
WH-WHAT'S HAPPENING?
IT'S AN AVALANCHE OF FOG!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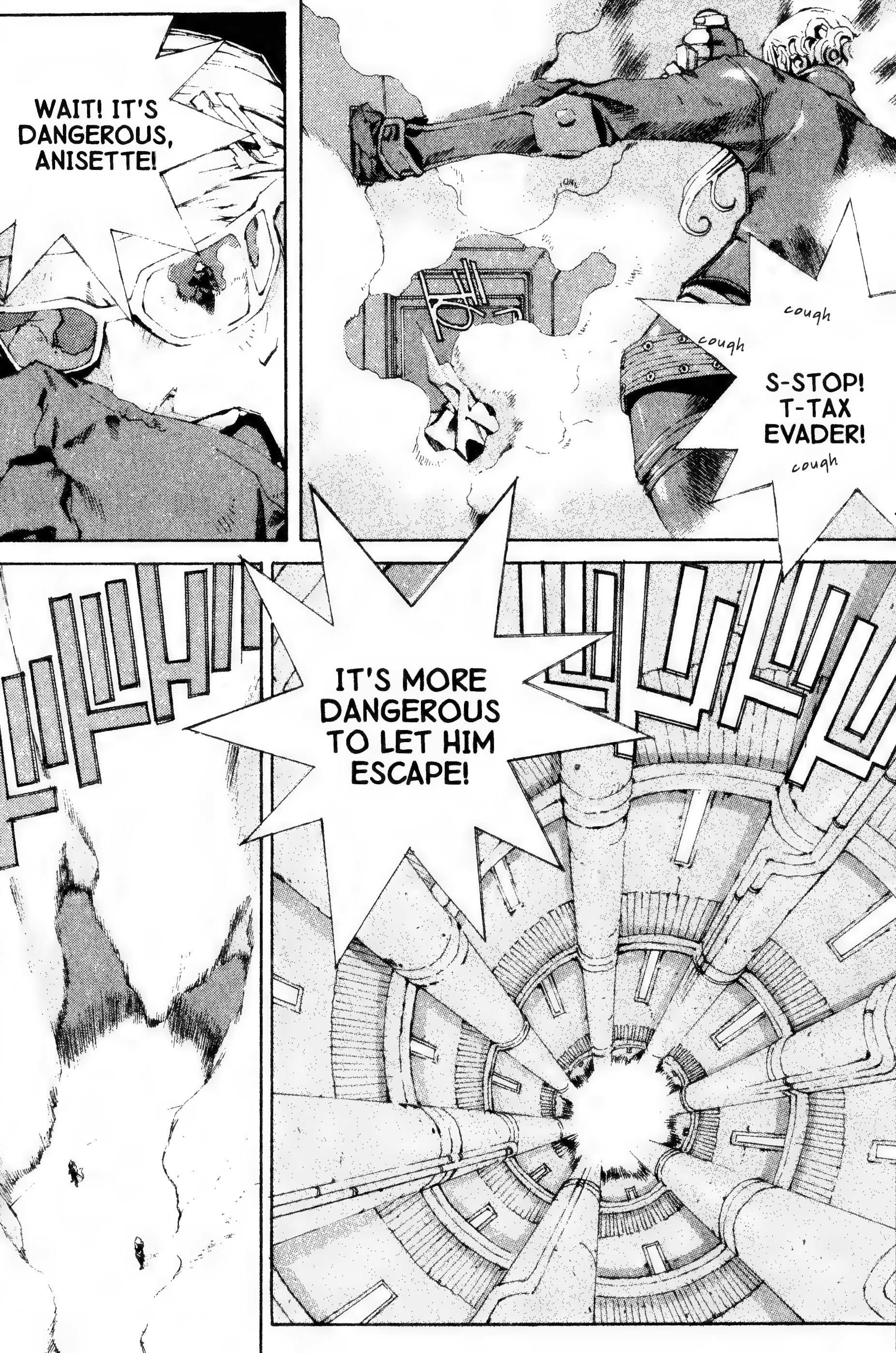
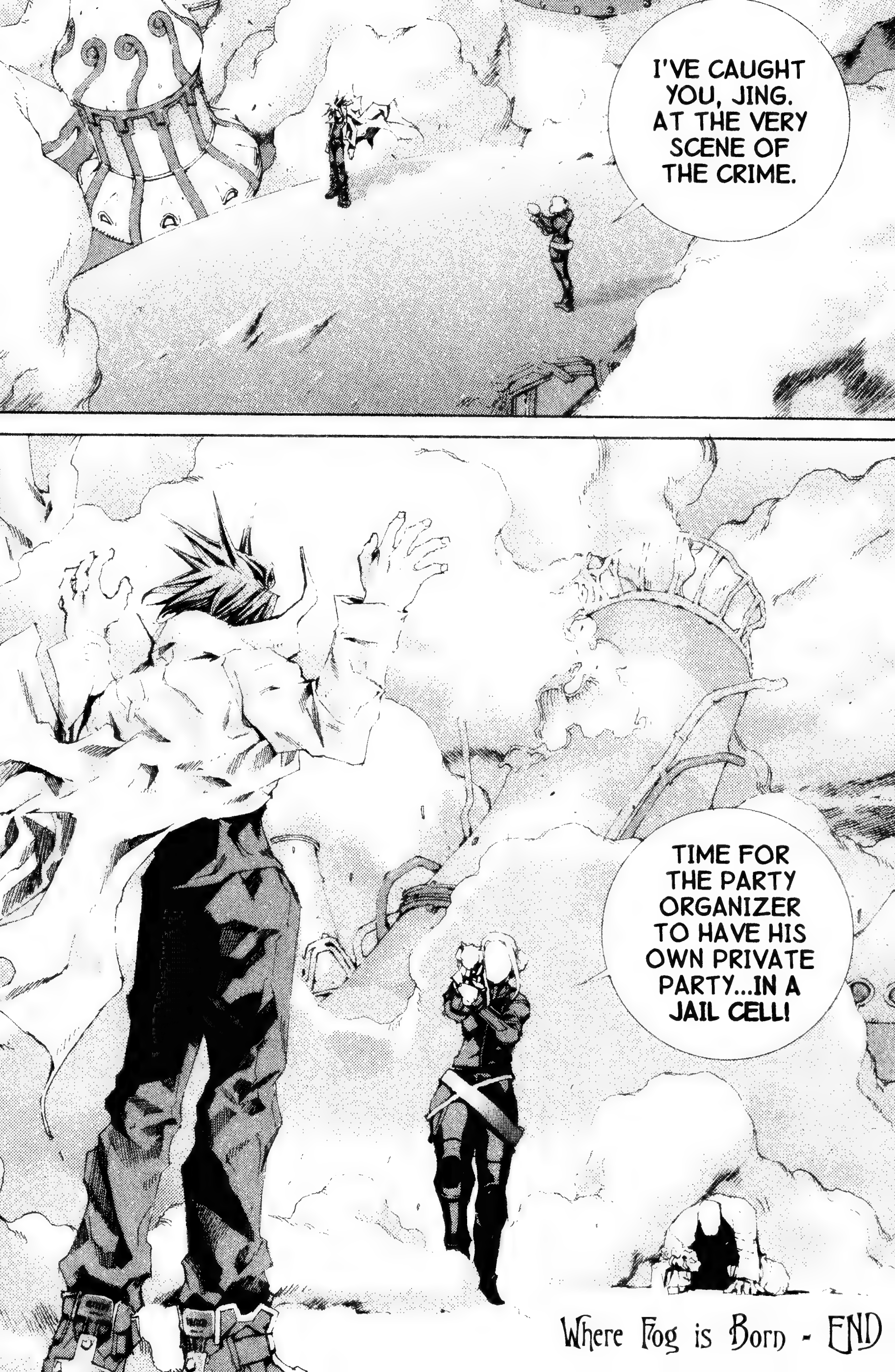
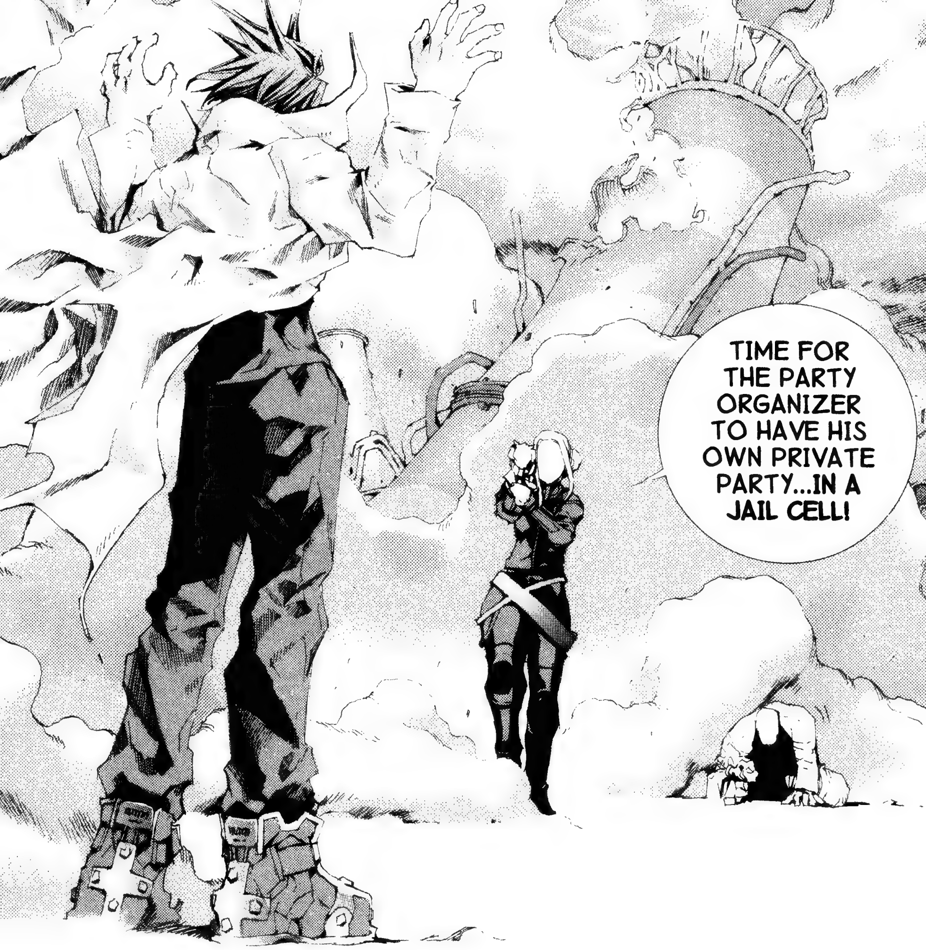

cough
cough
S-STOP! T-TAX EVADER!
cough
WAIT! IT'S DANGEROUS, ANISETTE!
IT'S MORE DANGEROUS TO LET HIM ESCAPE!


I'VE CAUGHT YOU, JING. AT THE VERY SCENE OF THE CRIME.
TIME FOR THE PARTY ORGANIZER TO HAVE HIS OWN PRIVATE PARTY...IN A JAIL CELL!

Where Fog is Born - END

...I believe the ones who would be most suited for love tax collection are androids who reject all emotions of love. That's because, to collect the tax fairly, the collector must be able to treat the taxee in an objective manner. The specifics of the currently proposed androids, the Jet Series, will be explained in another report...

(Taken from notes before the Jet Series went into production)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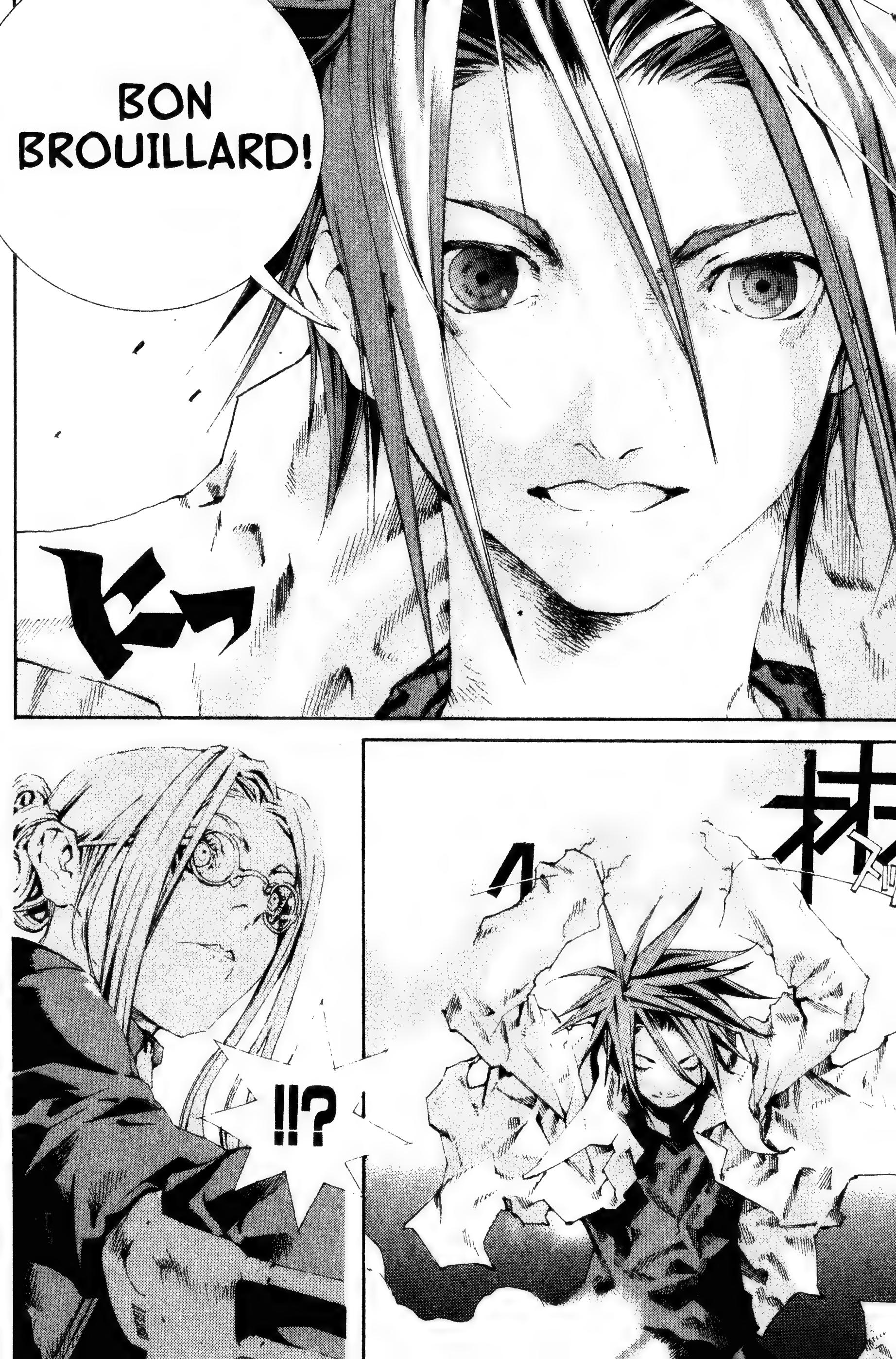
24th SHOT - La Vie En Rose


BON BROUILLARD!
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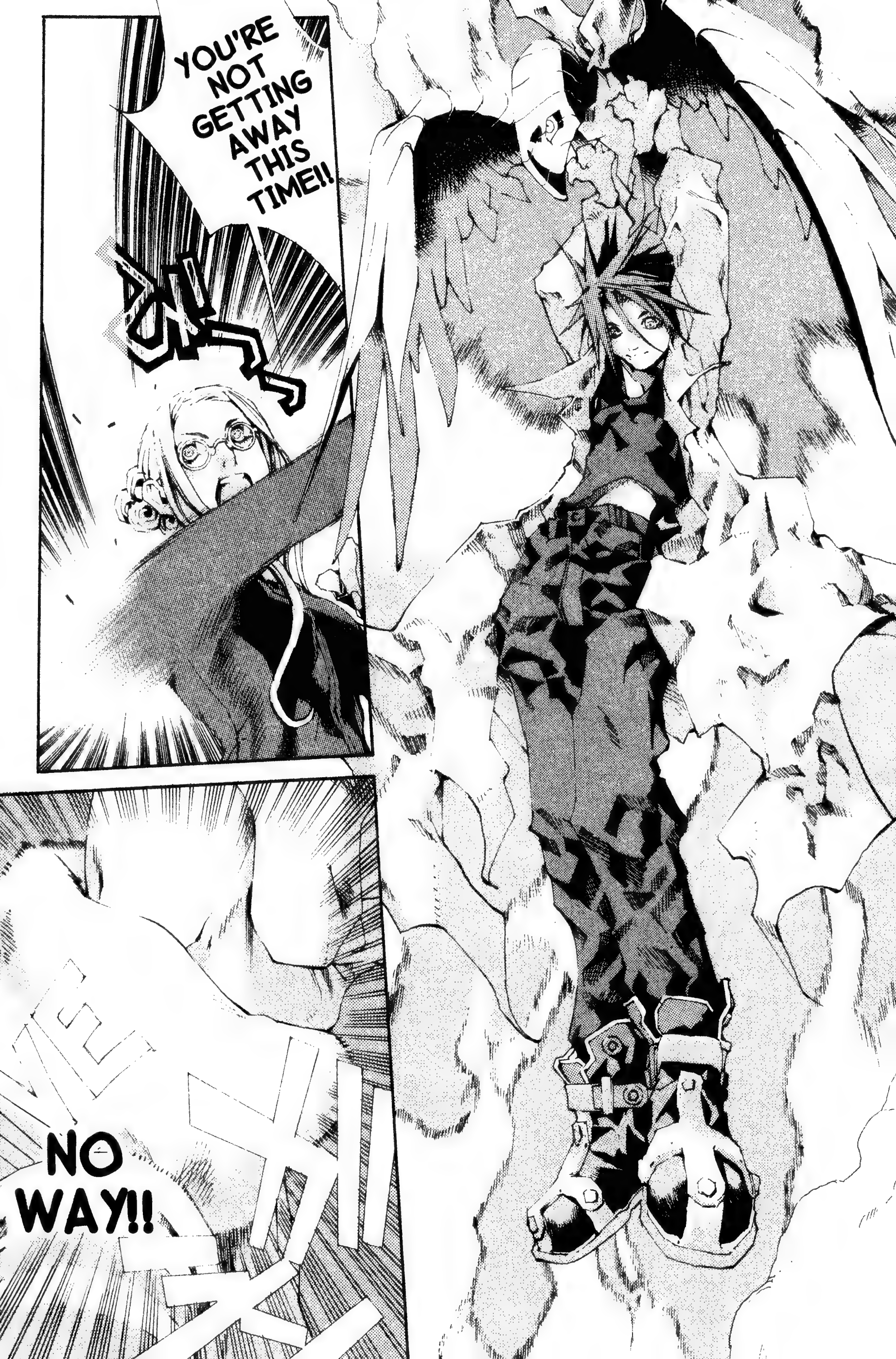
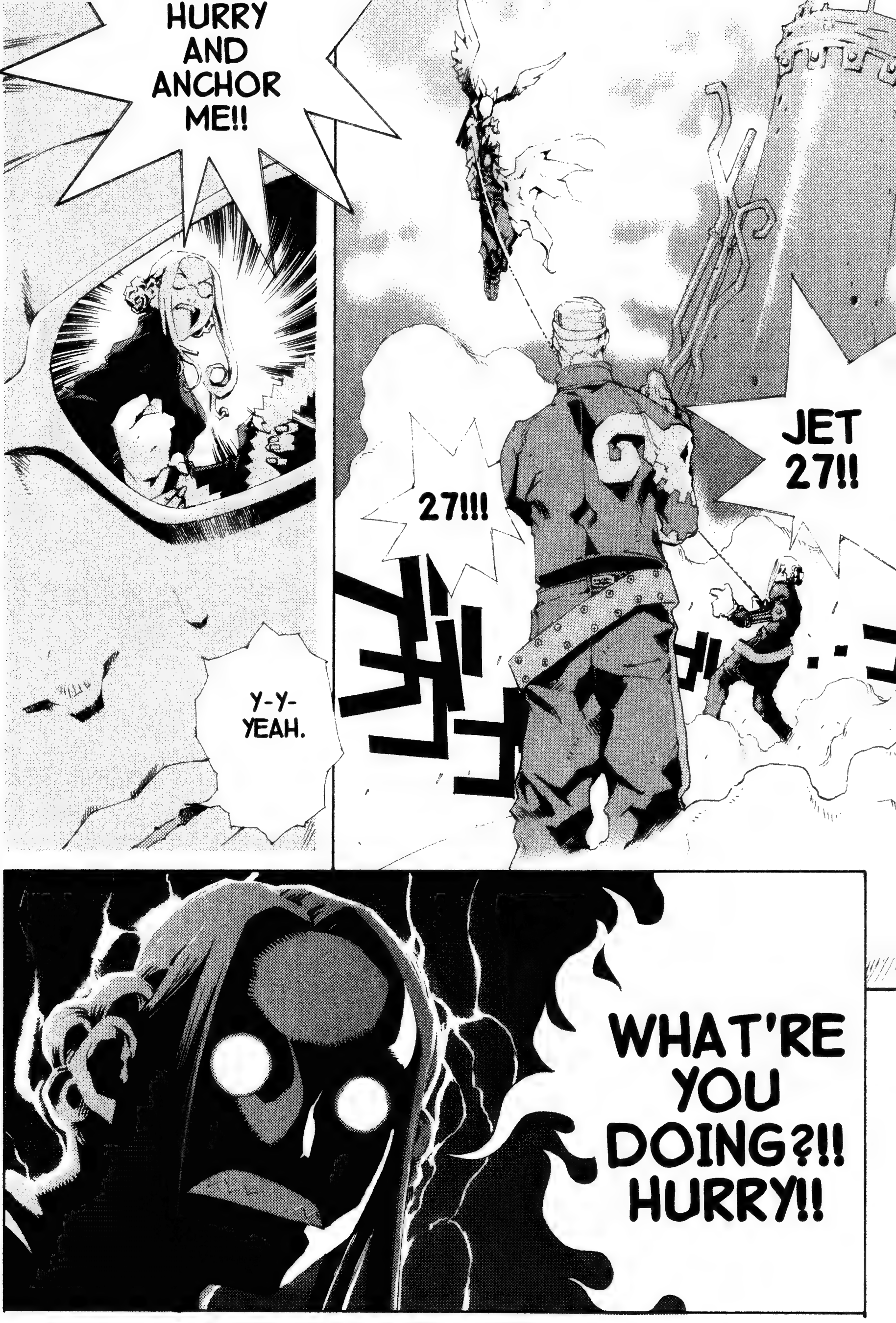
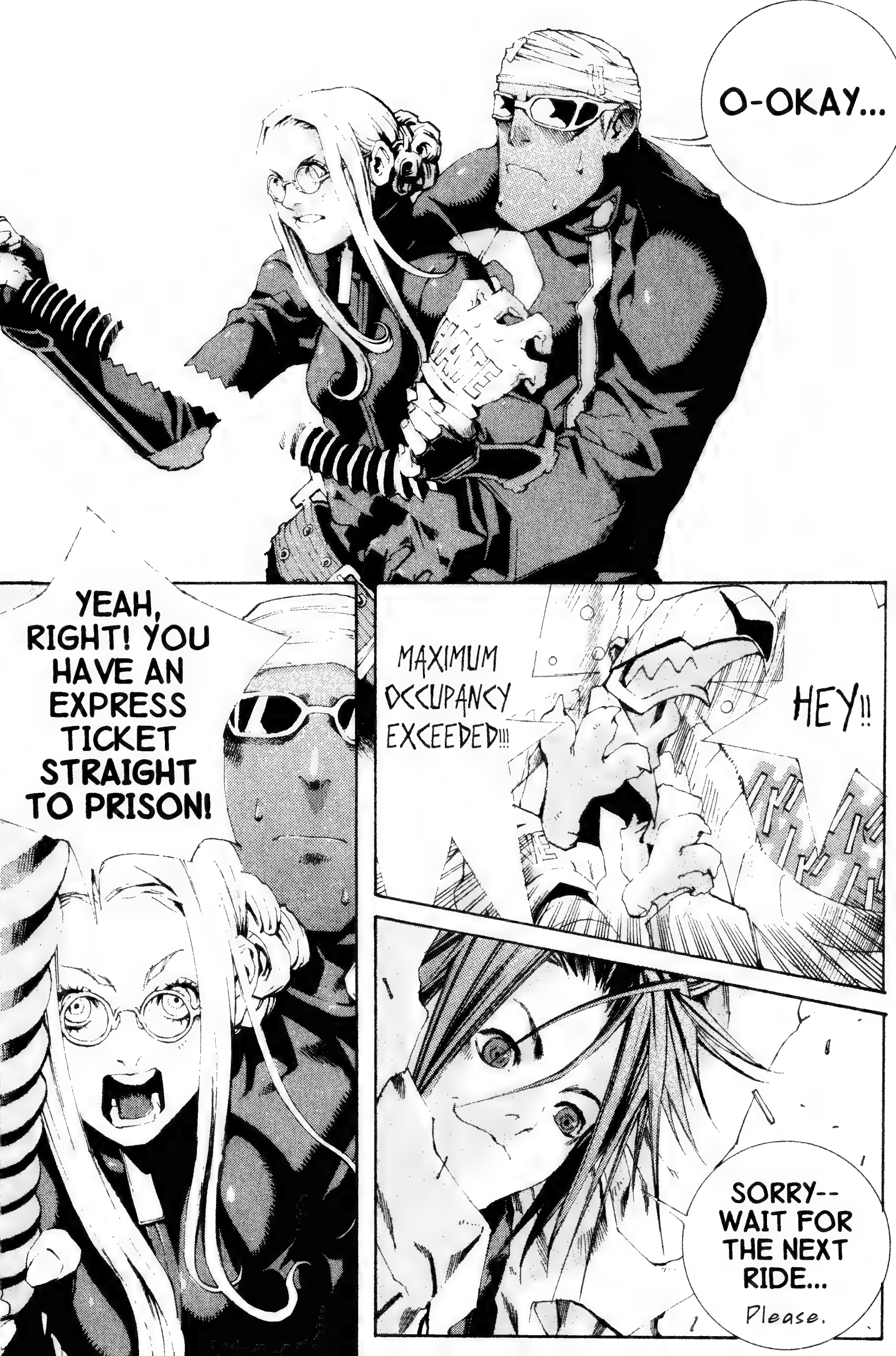
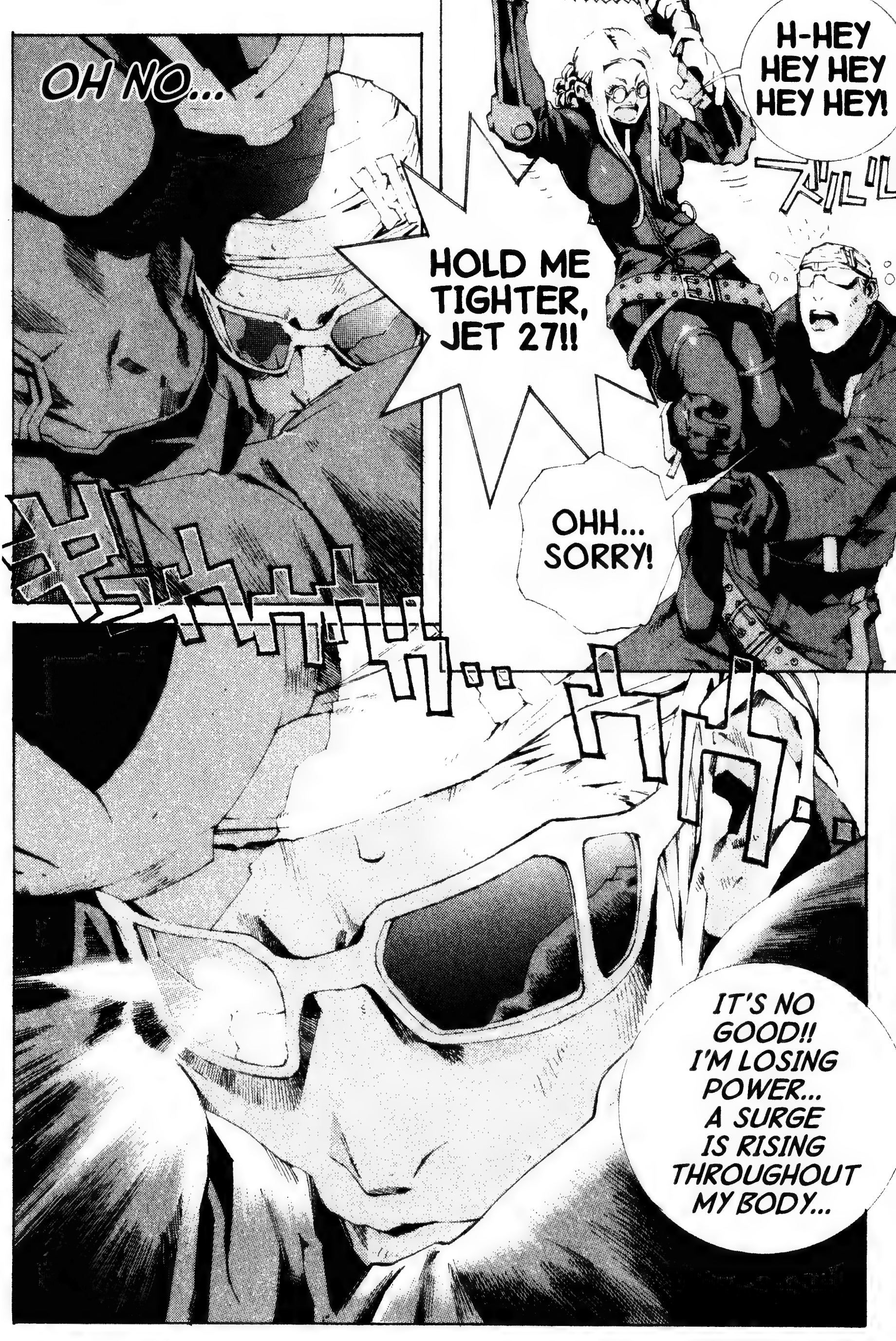
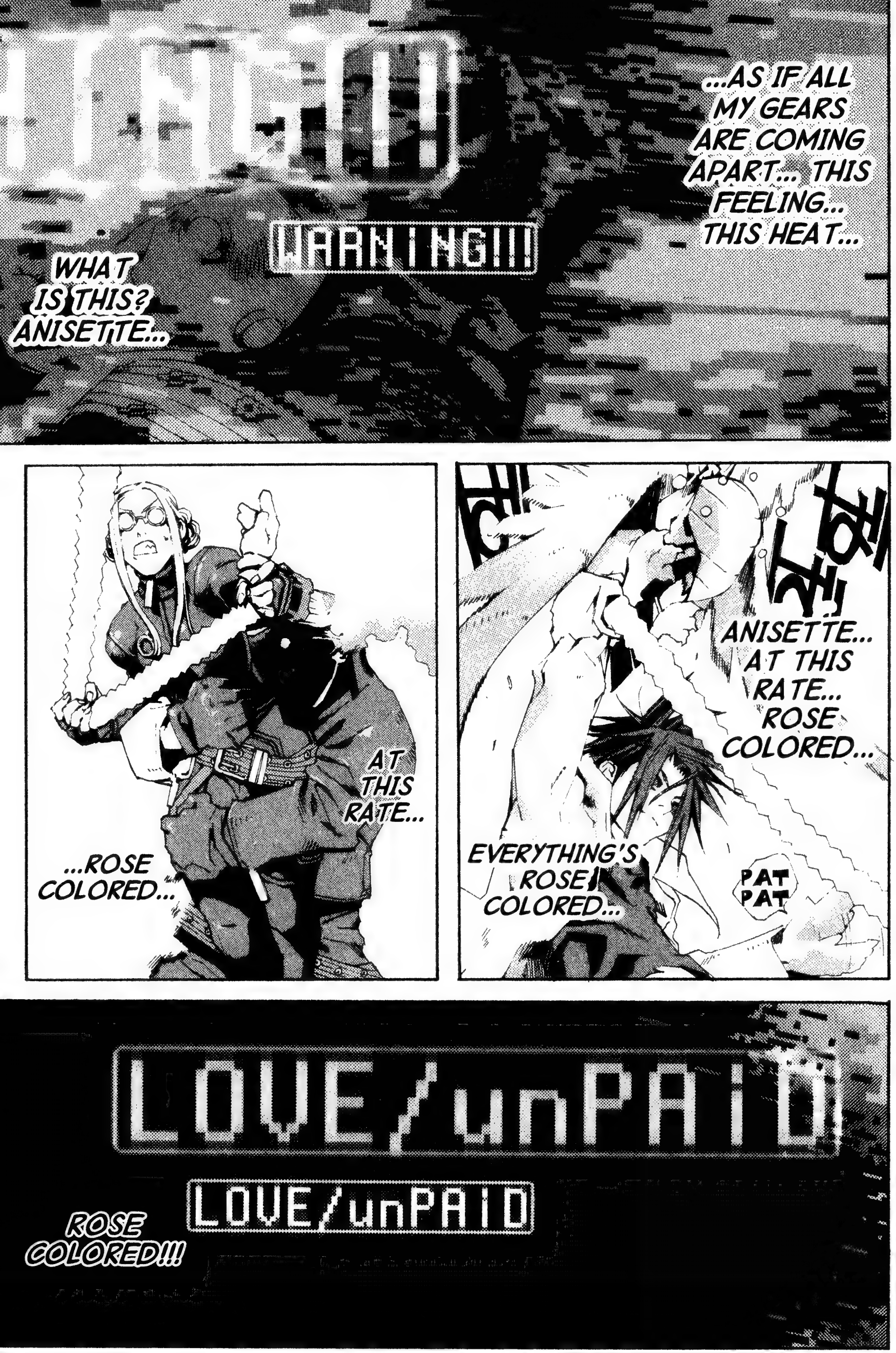
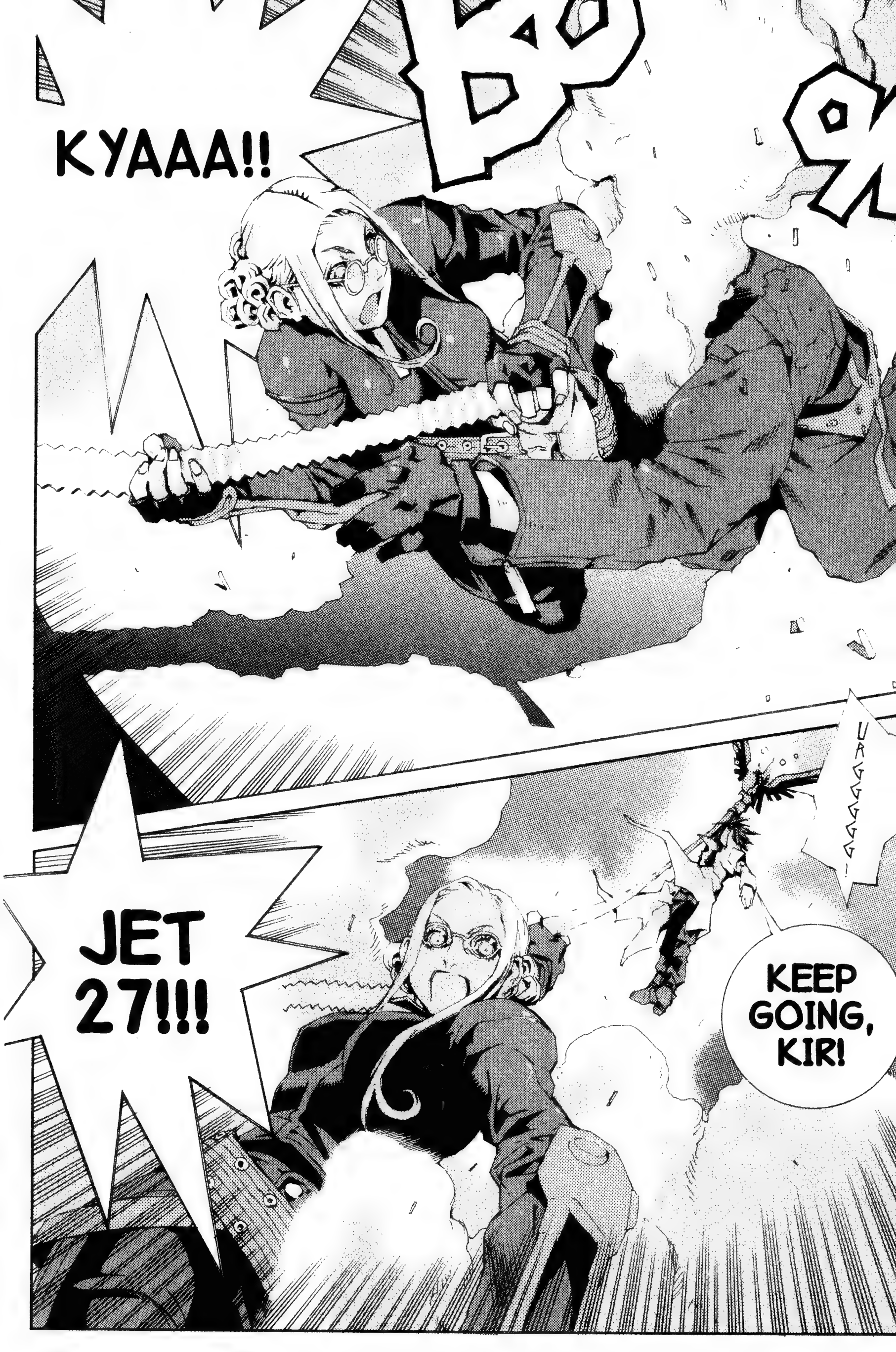

YOU'RE NOT GETTING AWAY THIS TIME!!
DUK!
YES!
NO WAY!!

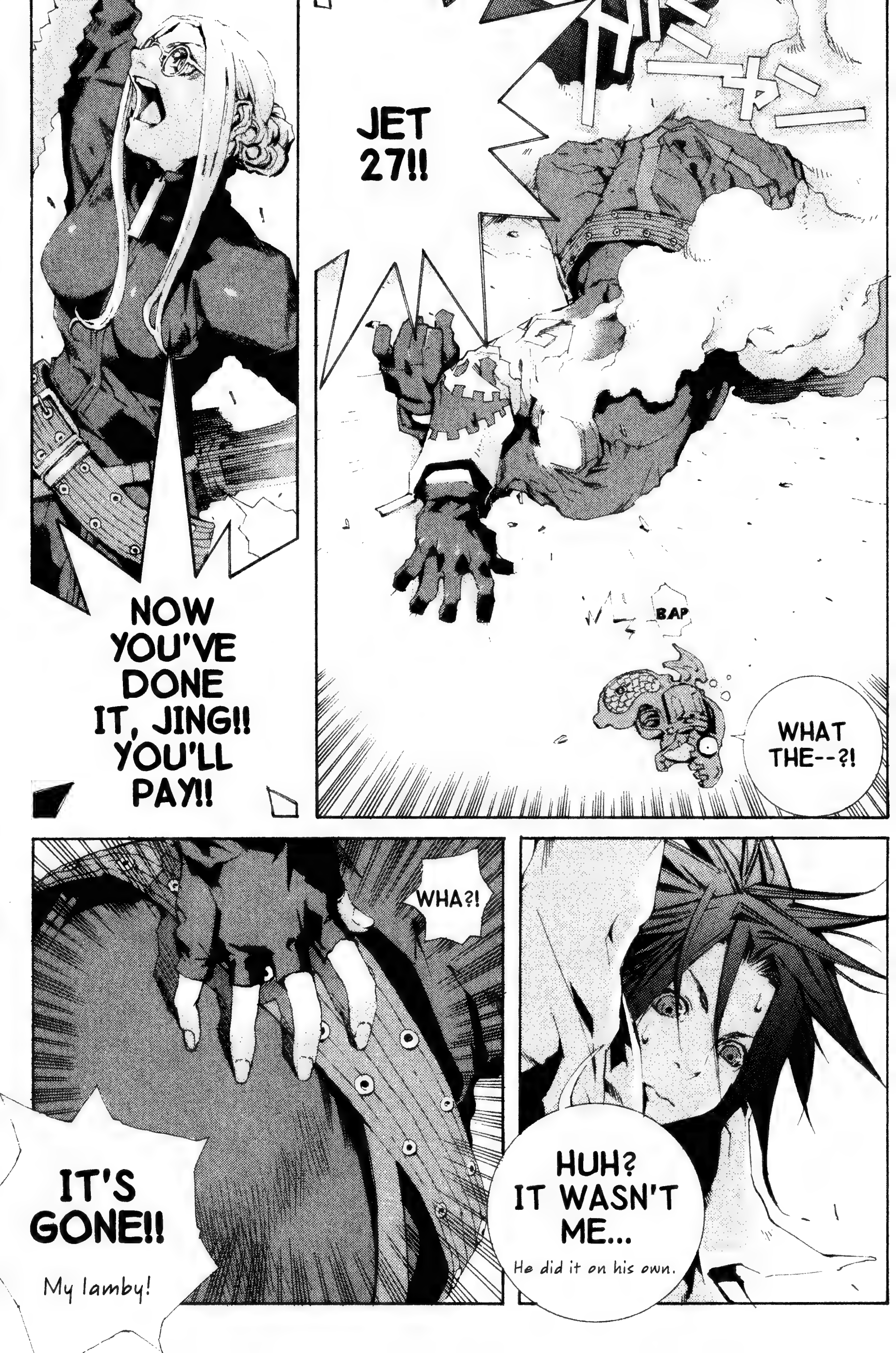

HURRY AND ANCHOR ME!!
JET 27!!
27!!!
Y-Y- YEAH.
WHAT'RE YOU DOING?!! HURRY!!

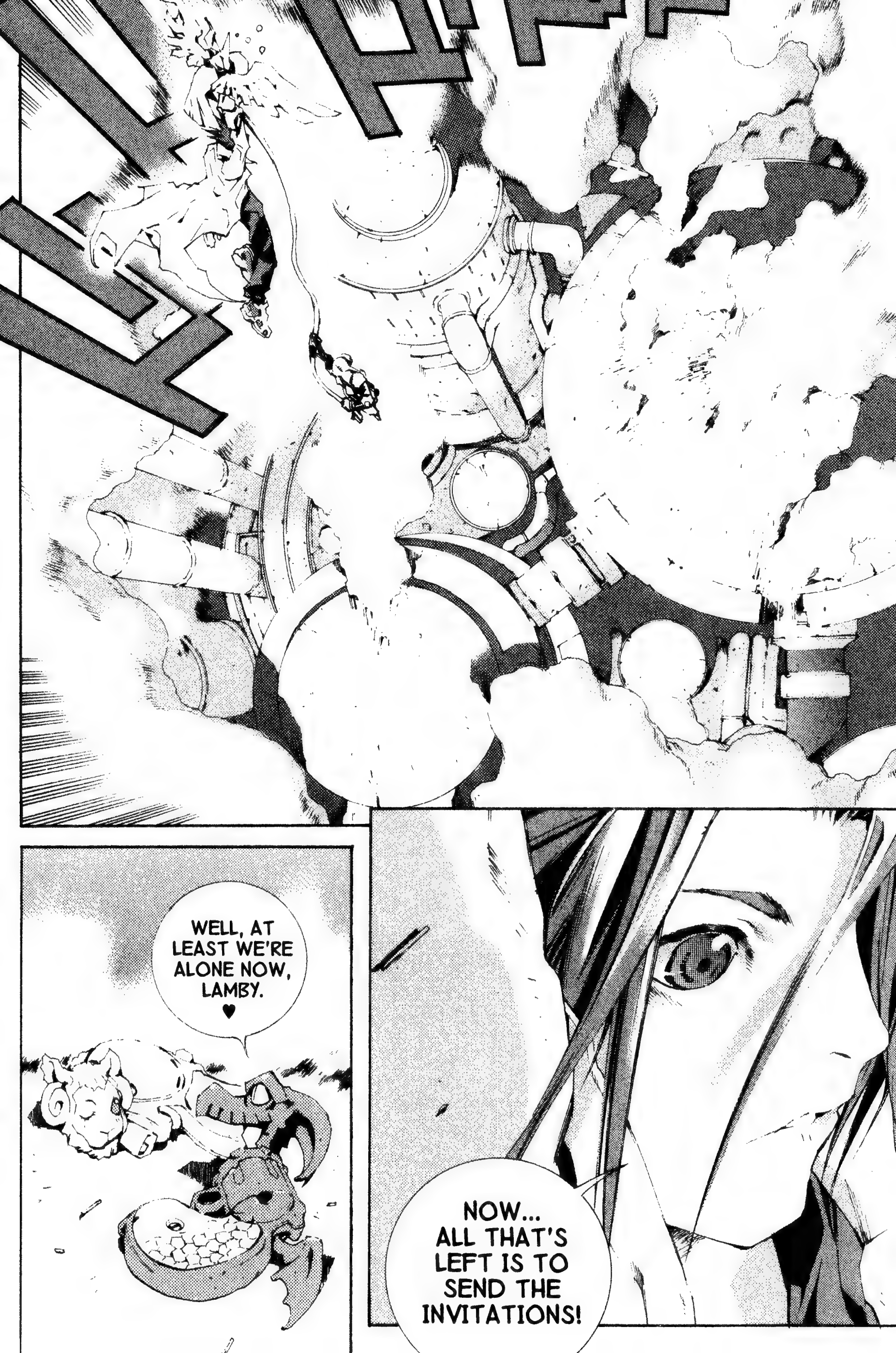

O-OKAY...
YEAH, RIGHT! YOU HAVE AN EXPRESS TICKET STRAIGHT TO PRISON!
HEY!!
MAXIMUM OCCUPANCY EXCEEDED!!!
SORRY-- WAIT FOR THE NEXT RIDE... Please.

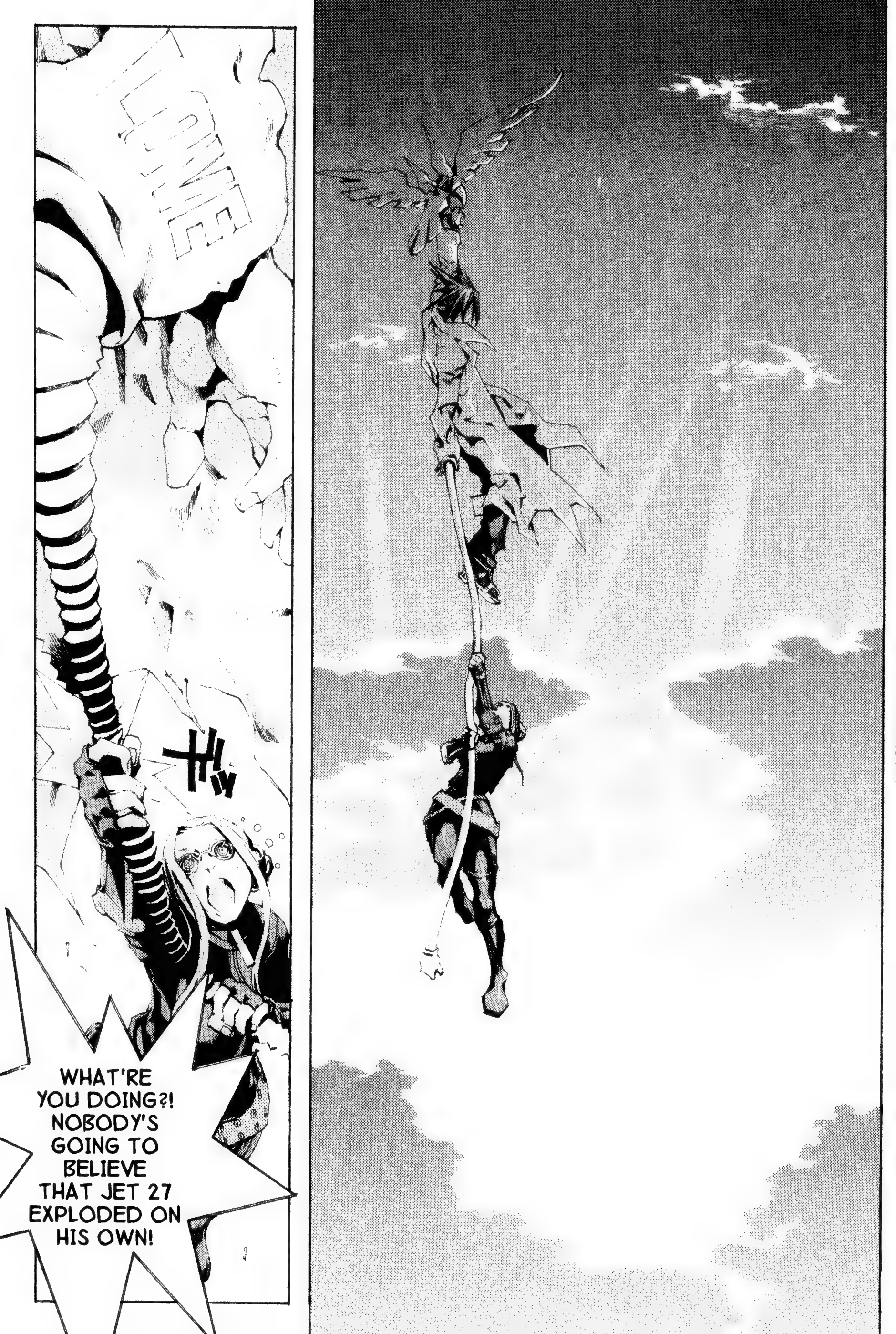

H-HEY HEY HEY HEY HEY!
HOLD ME TIGHTER, JET 27!!
OHH... SORRY!
OH NO...
IT'S NO GOOD!! I'M LOSING POWER... A SURGE IS RISING THROUGHOUT MY BODY...


...AS IF ALL MY GEARS ARE COMING APART... THIS FEELING... THIS HEAT...
WARNING!!!
WHAT IS THIS? ANISETTE...
ANISETTE... AT THIS RATE... ROSE COLORED...
EVERYTHING'S ROSE COLORED...
PAT PAT
AT THIS RATE...
...ROSE COLORED...
LOVE/unPAID
LOVE/unPAID
ROSE COLORED!!!


KYAAA!!
URGGGGG!
KEEP GOING, KIR!
JET 27!!!


JET 27!!
BAP
WHAT THE--?!
NOW YOU'VE DONE IT, JING!! YOU'LL PAY!!
HUH? IT WASN'T ME...
He did it on his own.
WHA?!
IT'S GONE!!
My lamby!


WELL, AT LEAST WE'RE ALONE NOW, LAMBY. ♥
NOW... ALL THAT'S LEFT IS TO SEND THE INVITATIONS!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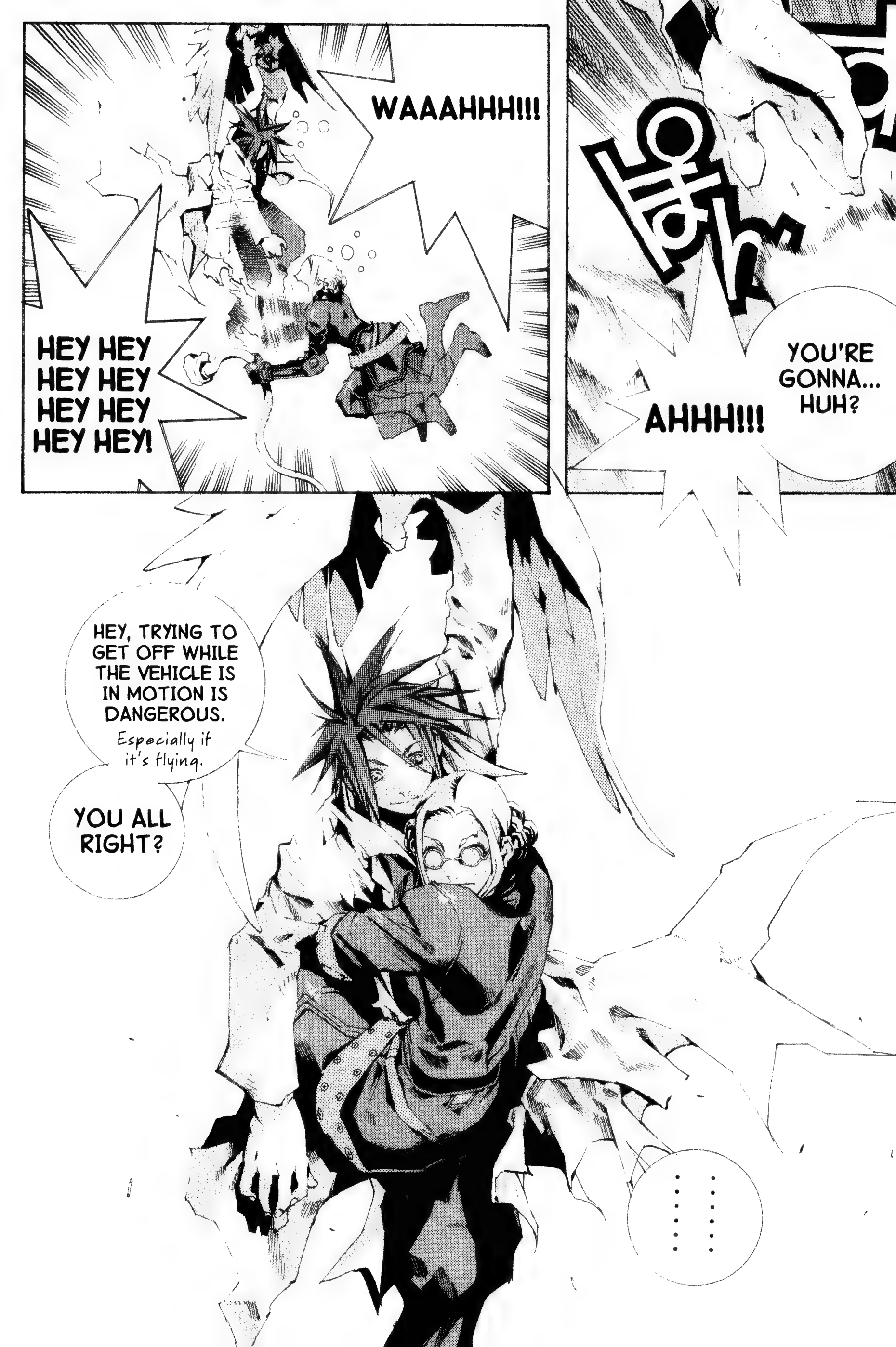
WHAT'RE YOU DOING?! NOBODY'S GOING TO BELIEVE THAT JET 27 EXPLODED ON HIS OWN!


YOU'RE GONNA... HUH?
AHHH!!!
WAAAHHH!!!
HEY HEY HEY HEY HEY HEY HEY HEY!
HEY, TRYING TO GET OFF WHILE THE VEHICLE IS IN MOTION IS DANGEROUS. Especially if it's flying.
YOU ALL RIGHT?
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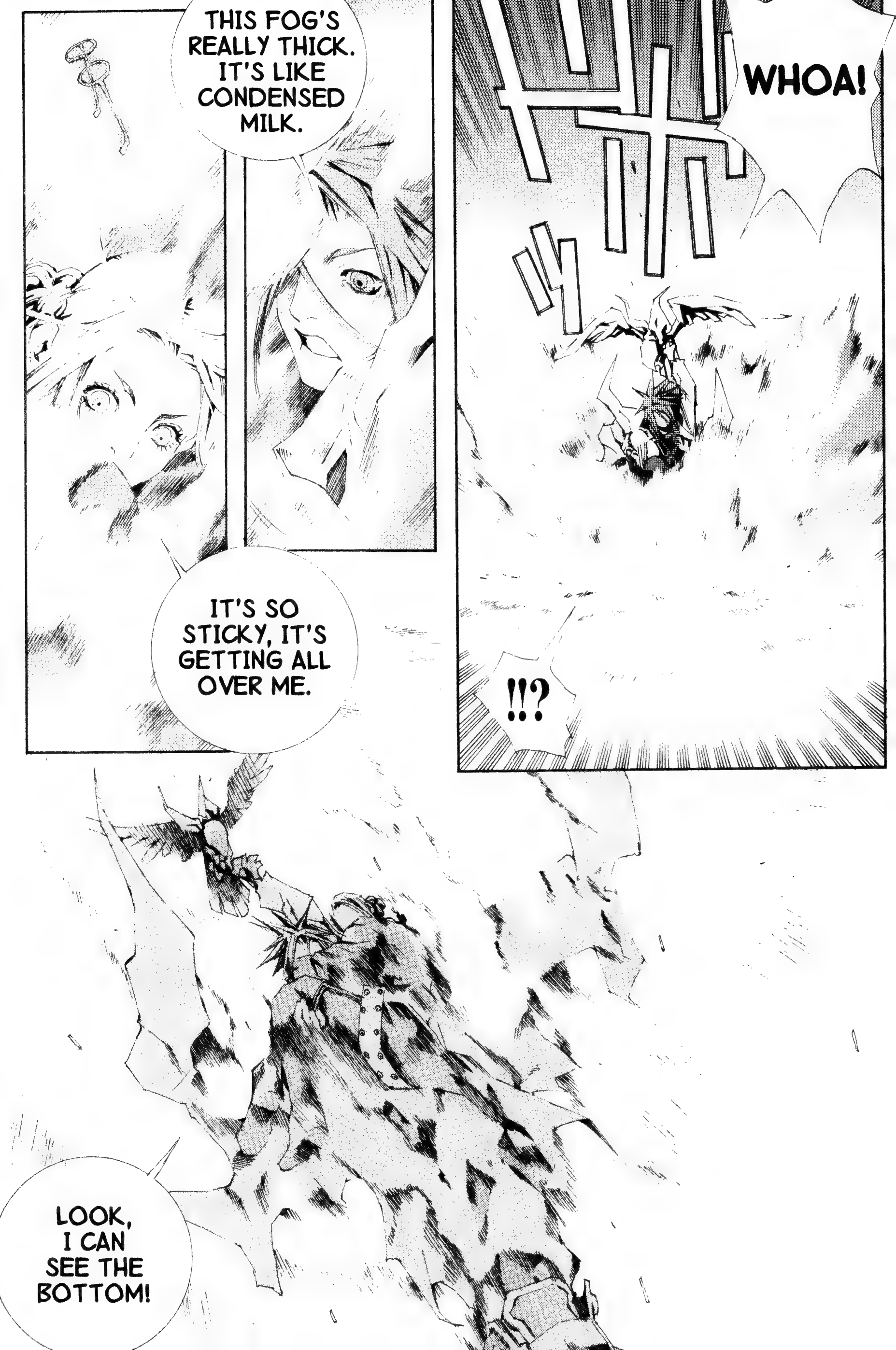
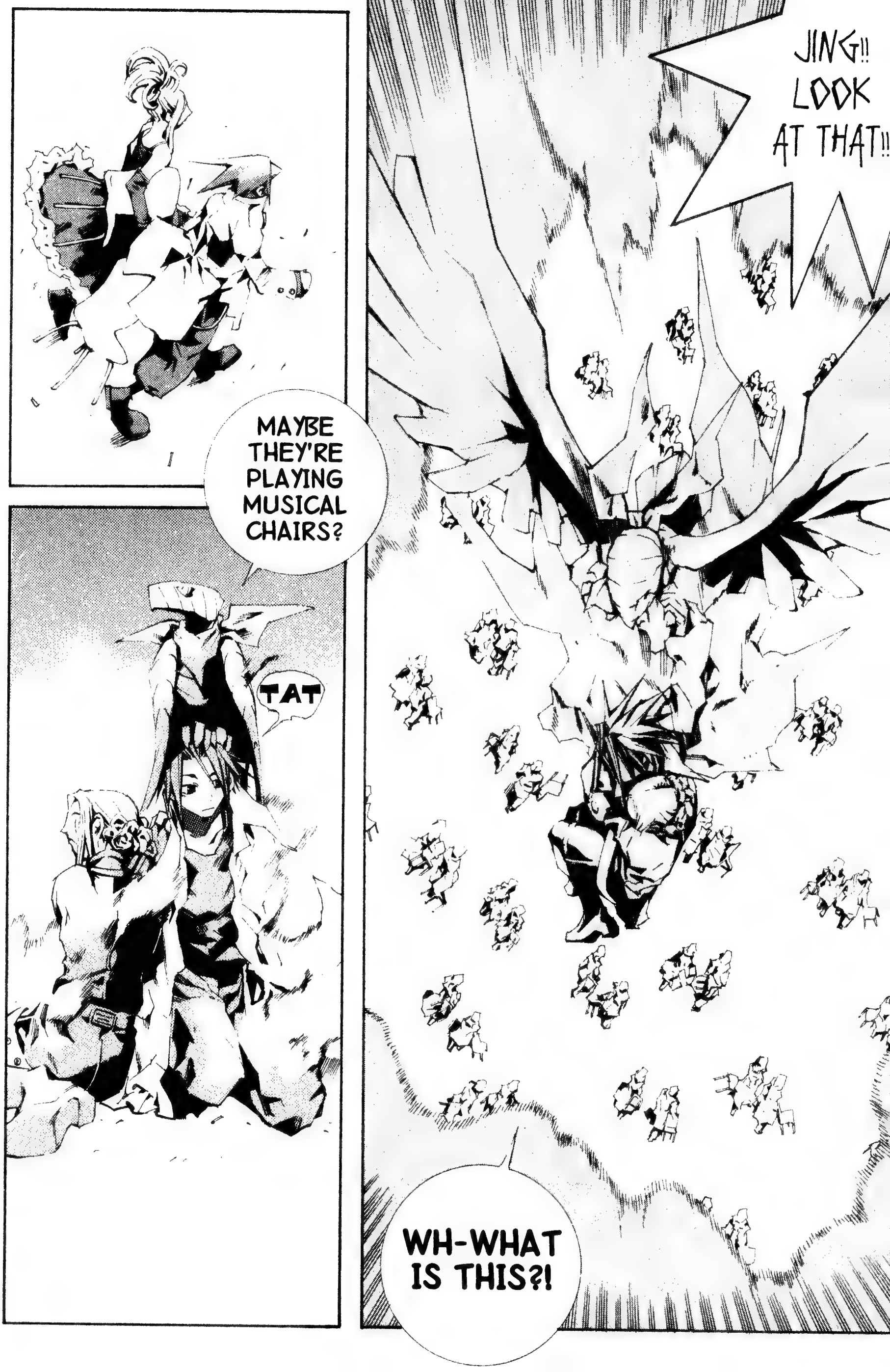

THIS FOG'S REALLY THICK. IT'S LIKE CONDENSED MILK.
IT'S SO STICKY, IT'S GETTING ALL OVER ME.
WHOA!
!!?
LOOK, I CAN SEE THE BOTTOM!


JING!! LOOK AT THAT!!
WH-WHAT IS THIS?!
MAYBE THEY'RE PLAYING MUSICAL CHAIRS?
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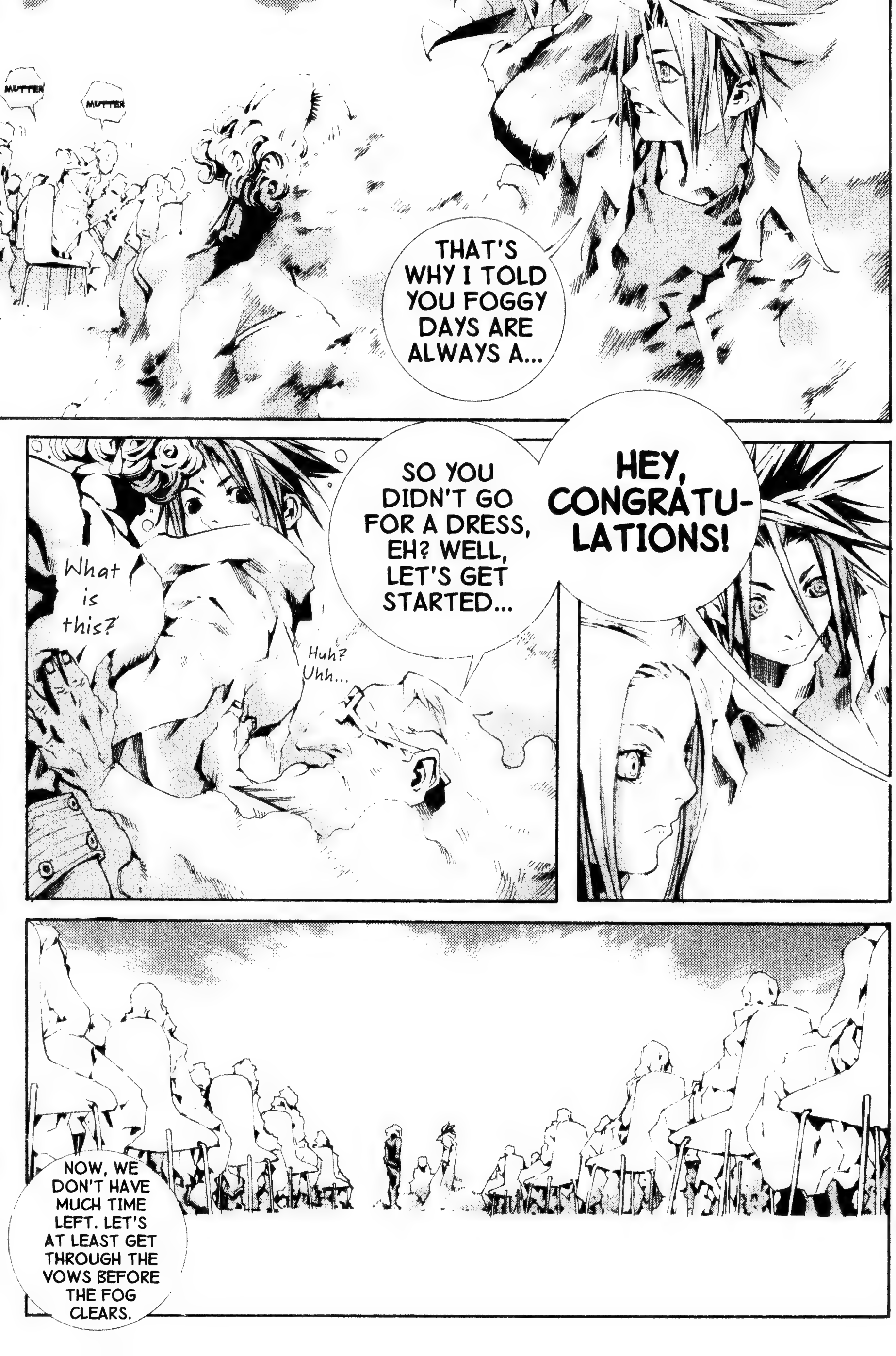
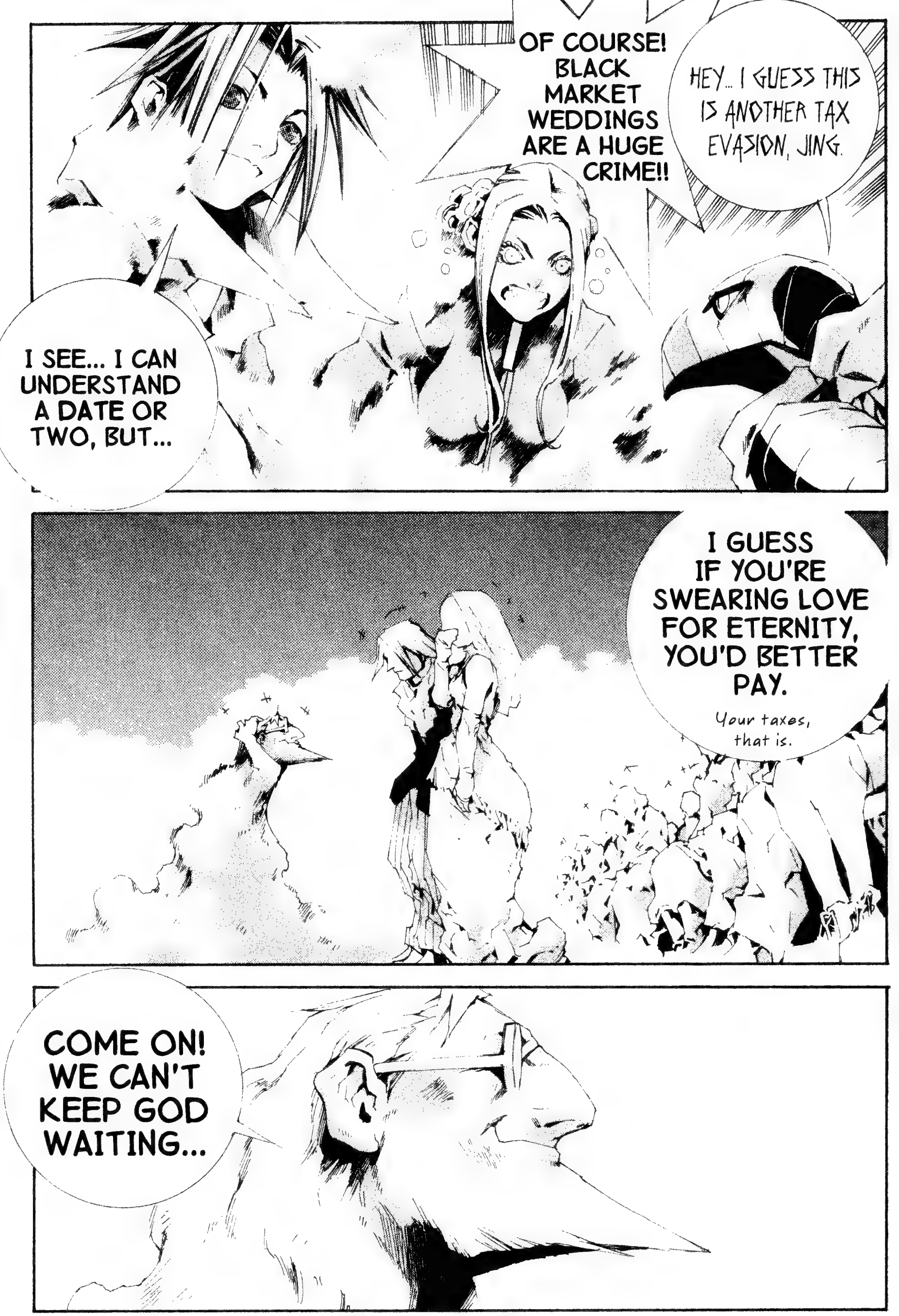
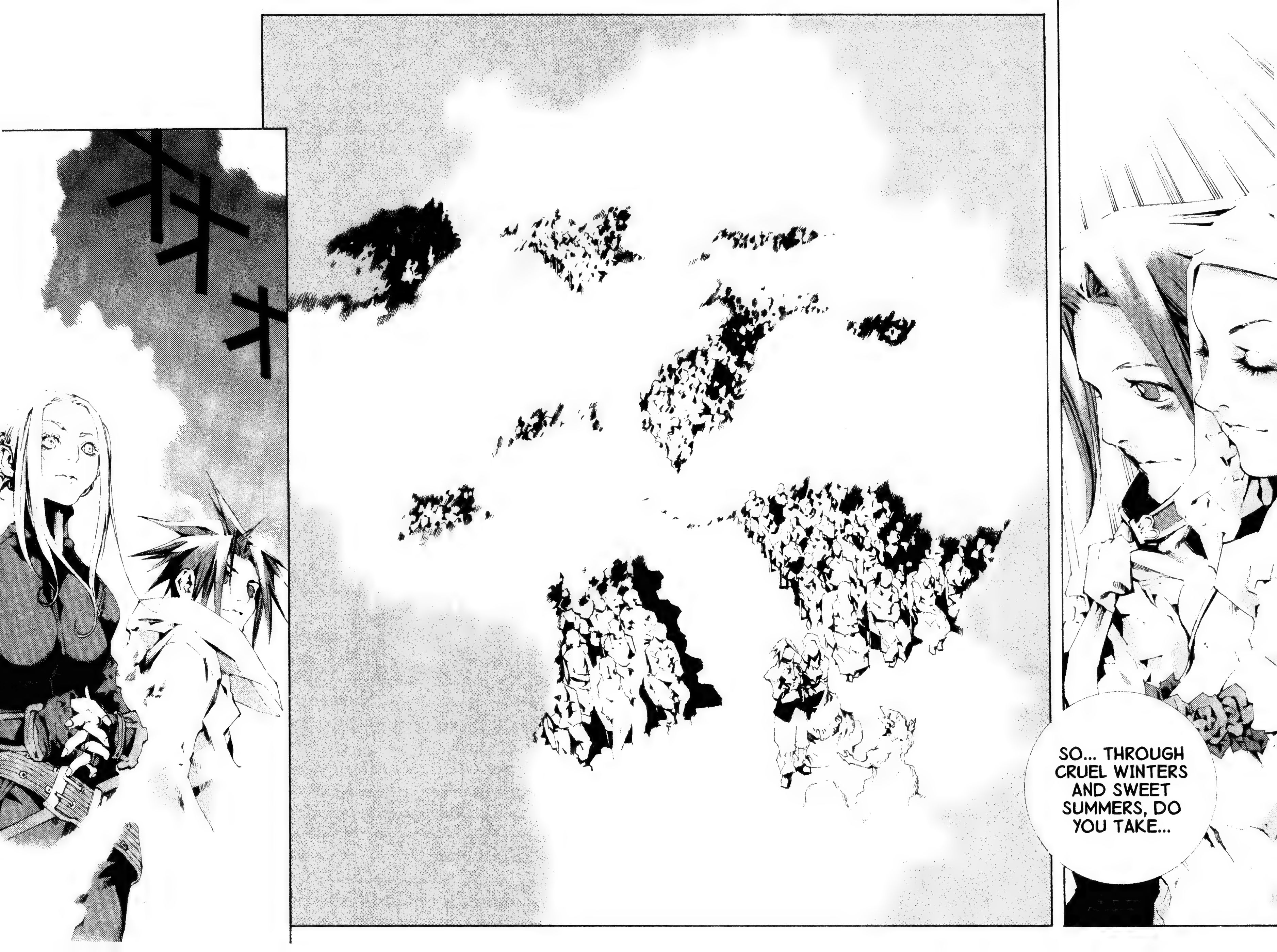

THAT'S WHY I TOLD YOU FOGGY DAYS ARE ALWAYS A...
MUTTER
MUTTER
HEY, CONGRATU-LATIONS!
SO YOU DIDN'T GO FOR A DRESS, EH? WELL, LET'S GET STARTED...
Huh? Uhh...
What is this?
NOW, WE DON'T HAVE MUCH TIME LEFT. LET'S AT LEAST GET THROUGH THE VOWS BEFORE THE FOG CLEARS.


HEY... I GUESS THIS IS ANOTHER TAX EVASION, JING.
OF COURSE! BLACK MARKET WEDDINGS ARE A HUGE CRIME!!
I SEE... I CAN UNDERSTAND A DATE OR TWO, BUT...
I GUESS IF YOU'RE SWEARING LOVE FOR ETERNITY, YOU'D BETTER PAY.
Your taxes, that is.
COME ON! WE CAN'T KEEP GOD WAITING...


SO... THROUGH CRUEL WINTERS AND SWEET SUMMERS, DO YOU TAKE...
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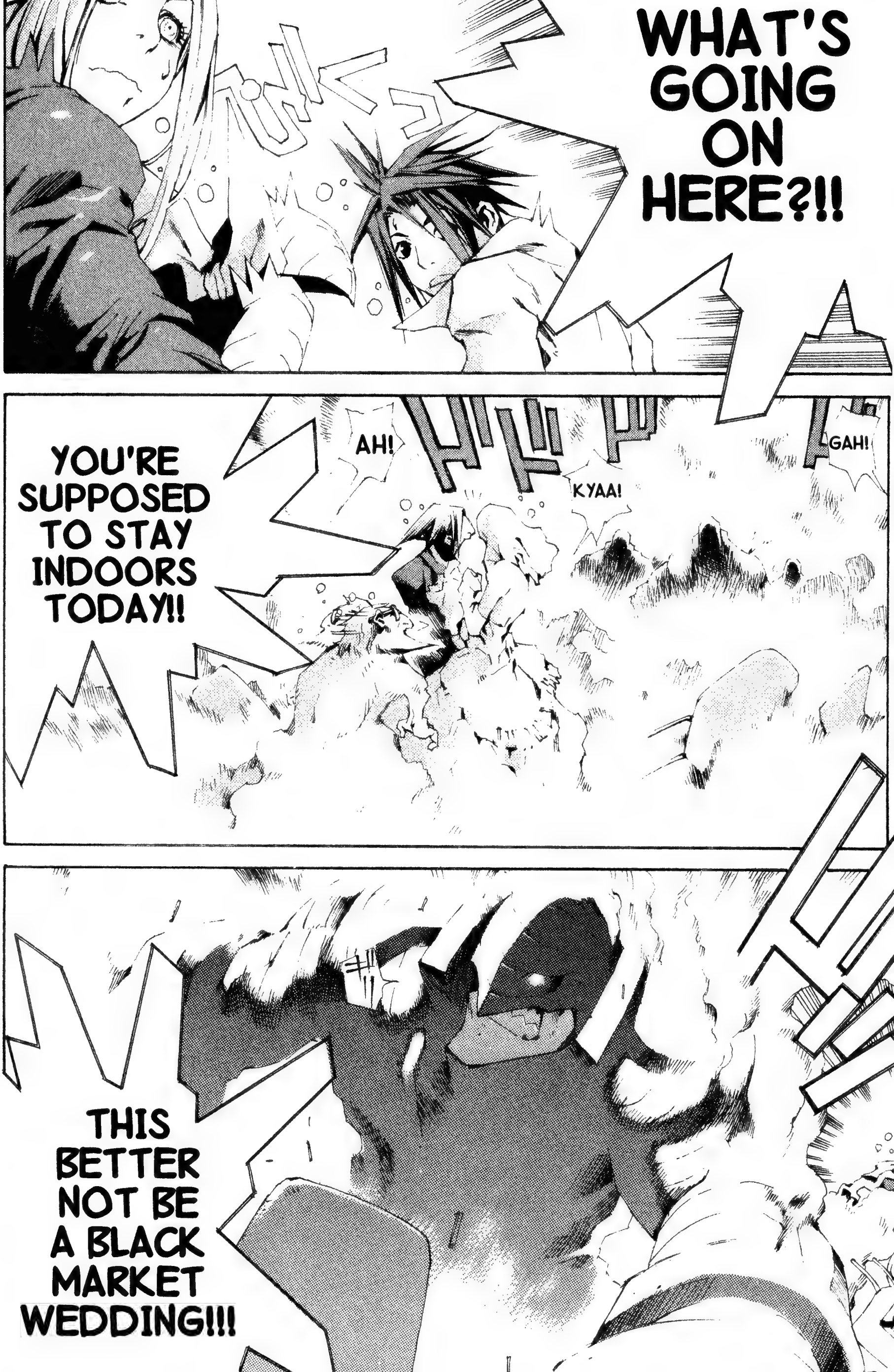
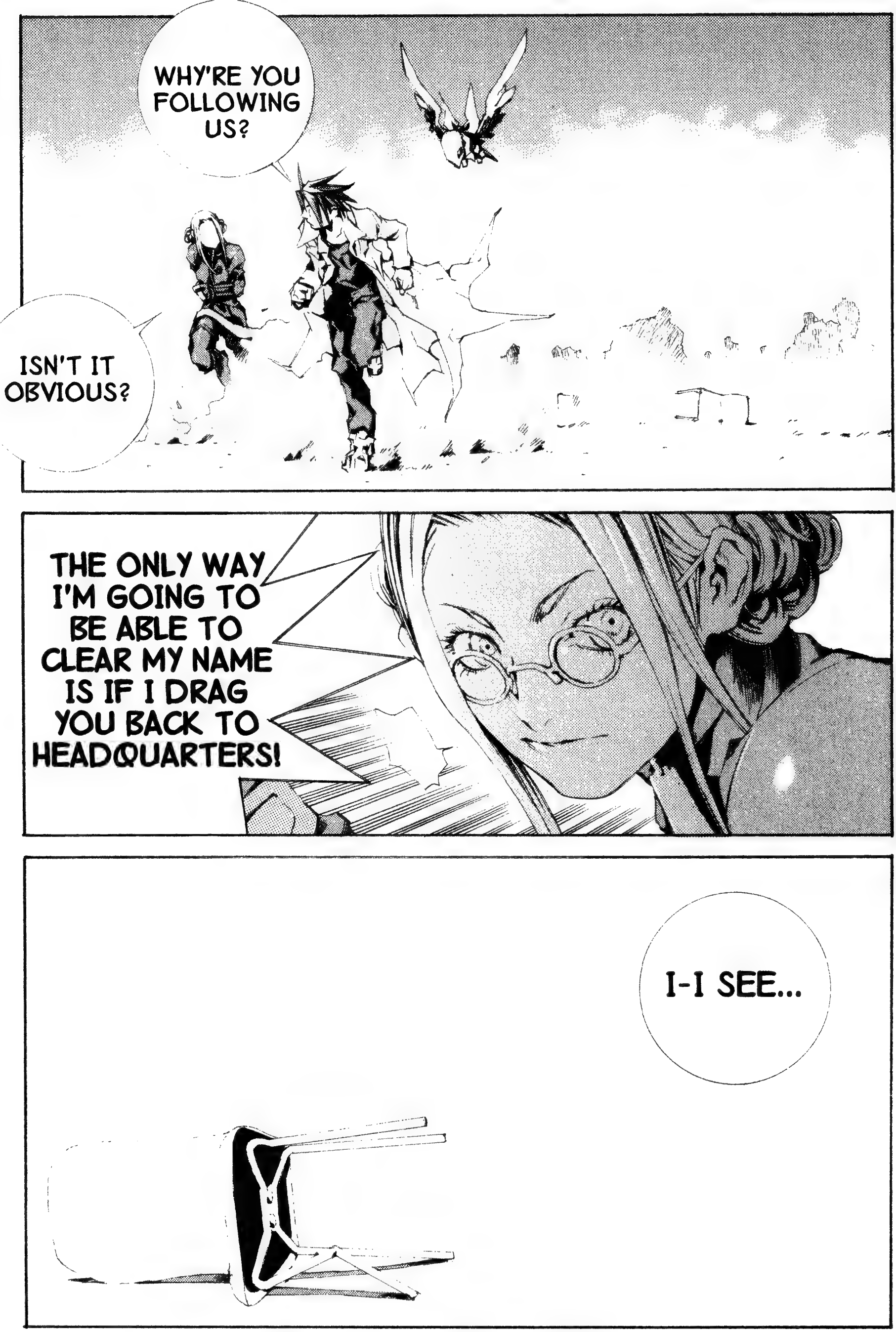

WHAT'S GOING ON HERE?!!
GAH!
KYAA!
AH!
YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO STAY INDOORS TODAY!!
THIS BETTER NOT BE A BLACK MARKET WEDDING!!!


WHY'RE YOU FOLLOWING US?
ISN'T IT OBVIOUS?
THE ONLY WAY I'M GOING TO BE ABLE TO CLEAR MY NAME IS IF I DRAG YOU BACK TO HEADQUARTERS!
I-I SEE...

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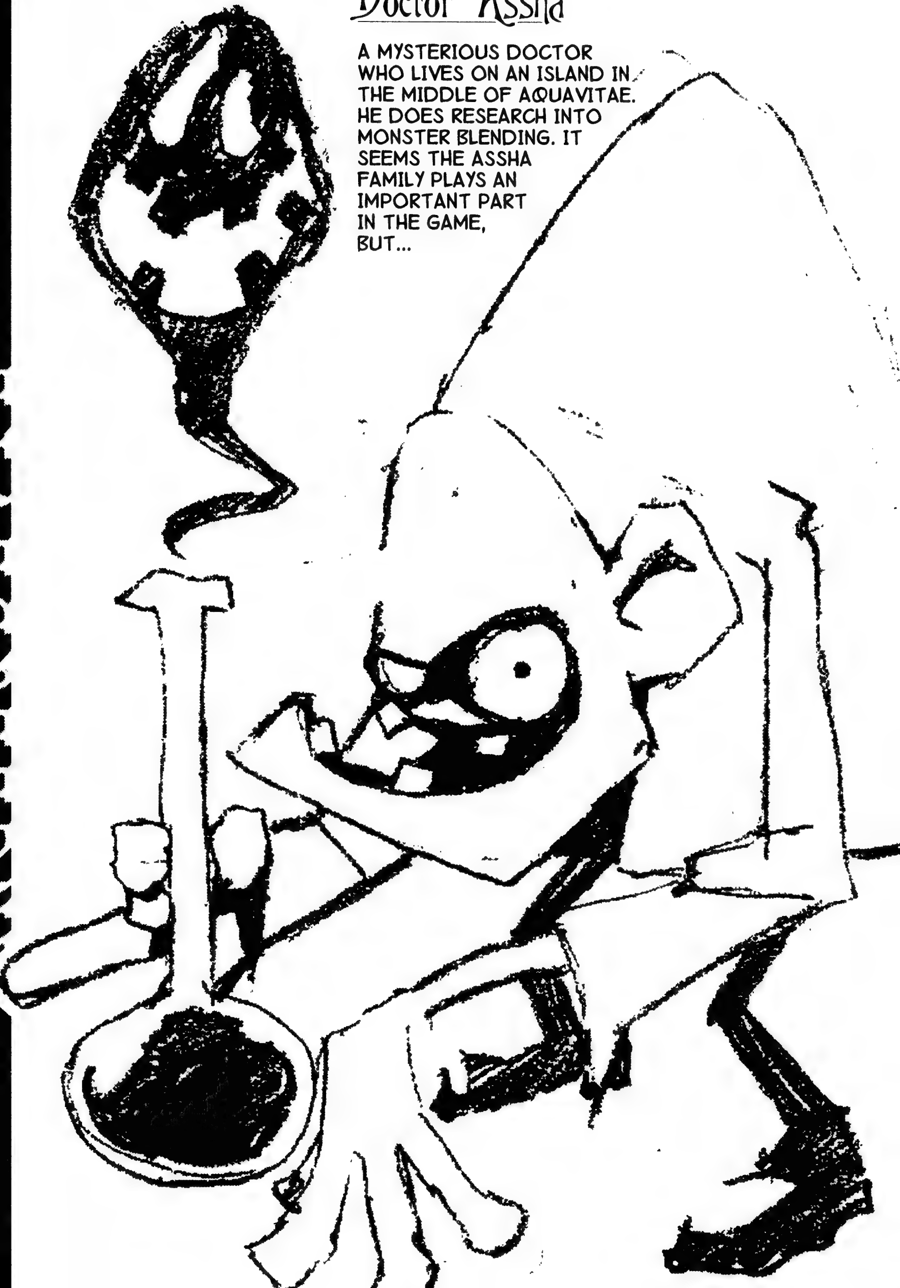

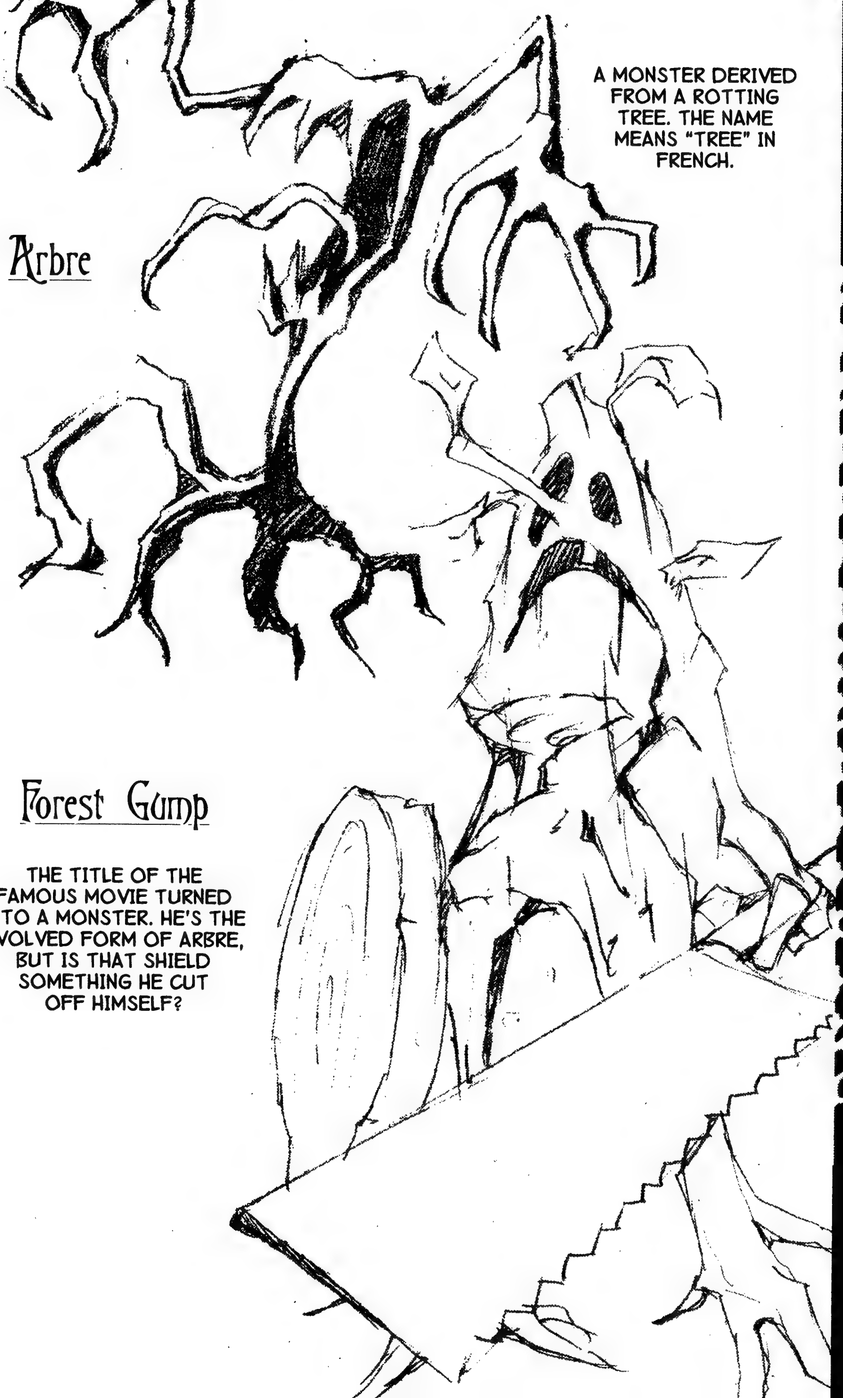

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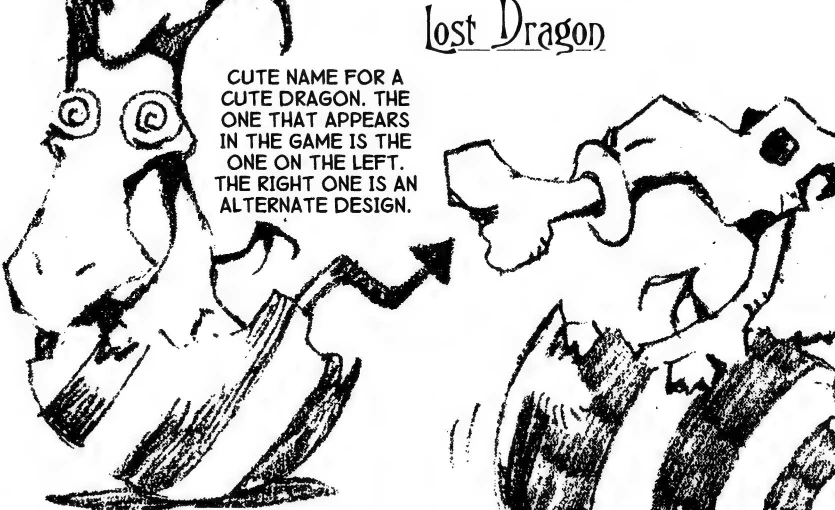
A MONSTER DERIVED FROM A ROTTING TREE. THE NAME MEANS "TREE" IN FRENCH.

Forest Gump

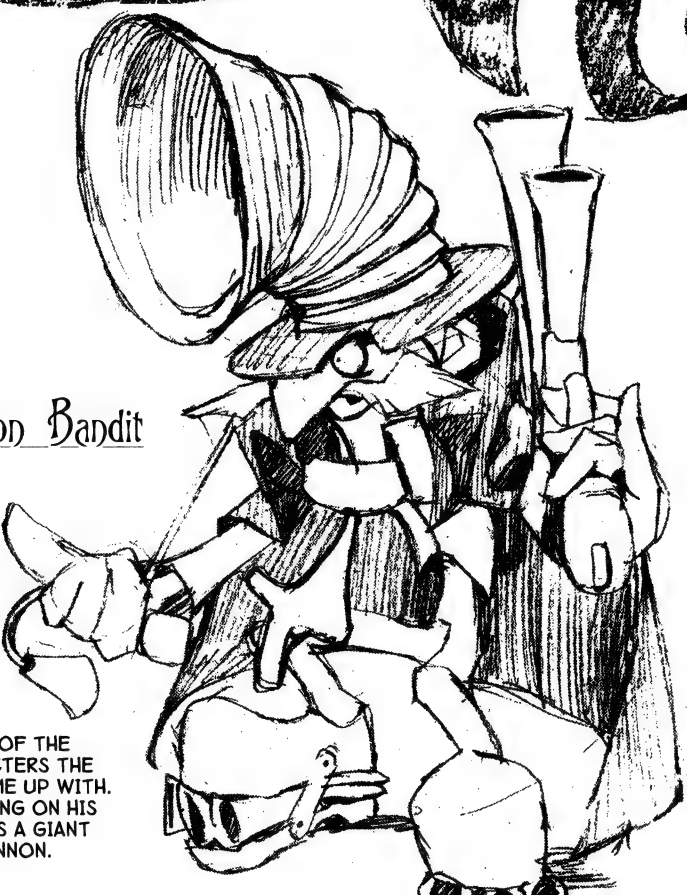
THE TITLE OF THE FAMOUS MOVIE TURNED INTO A MONSTER. HE'S THE EVOLVED FORM OF ARBRE, BUT IS THAT SHIELD SOMETHING HE CUT OFF HIMSELF?

Lost Dragon

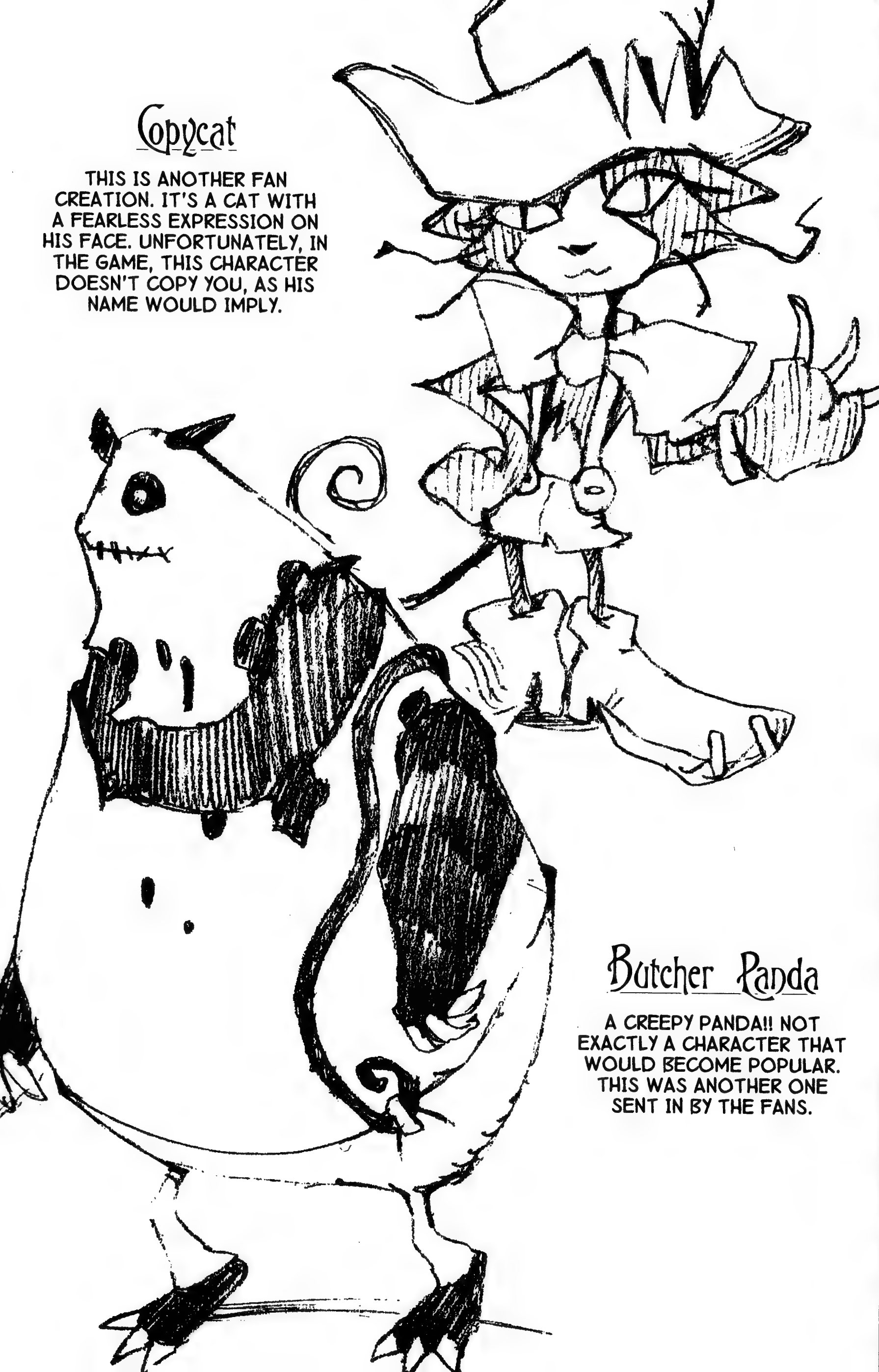


CUTE NAME FOR A CUTE DRAGON. THE ONE THAT APPEARS IN THE GAME IS THE ONE ON THE LEFT. THE RIGHT ONE IS AN ALTERNATE DESIGN.

Cannon Bandit



ONE OF THE CHARACTERS THE FANS CAME UP WITH. THE THING ON HIS HEAD IS A GIANT CANNON.



Copycat

THIS IS ANOTHER FAN CREATION. IT'S A CAT WITH A FEARLESS EXPRESSION ON HIS FACE. UNFORTUNATELY, IN THE GAME, THIS CHARACTER DOESN'T COPY YOU, AS HIS NAME WOULD IMPLY.

Butcher Panda

A CREEPY PANDA!! NOT EXACTLY A CHARACTER THAT WOULD BECOME POPULAR. THIS WAS ANOTHER ONE SENT IN BY THE FANS.

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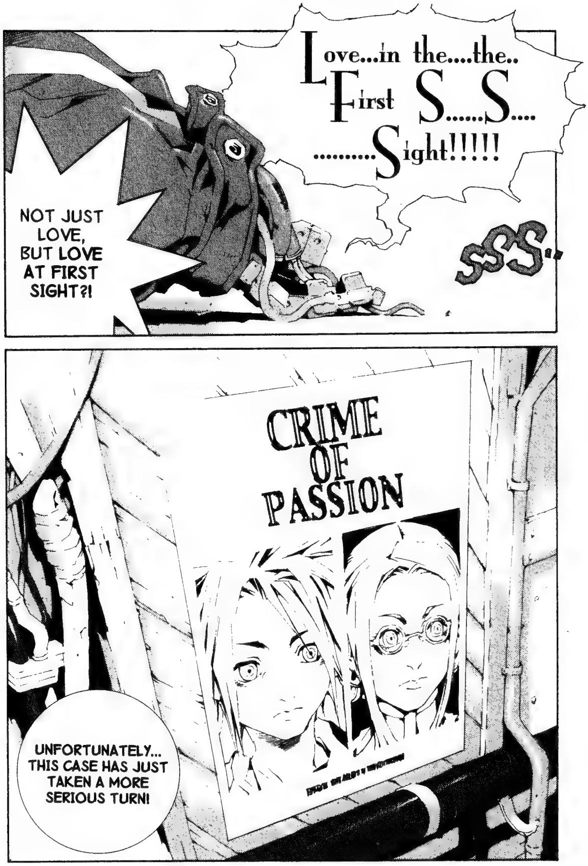
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First S......S....
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NOT JUST LOVE, BUT LOVE AT FIRST SIGHT?!
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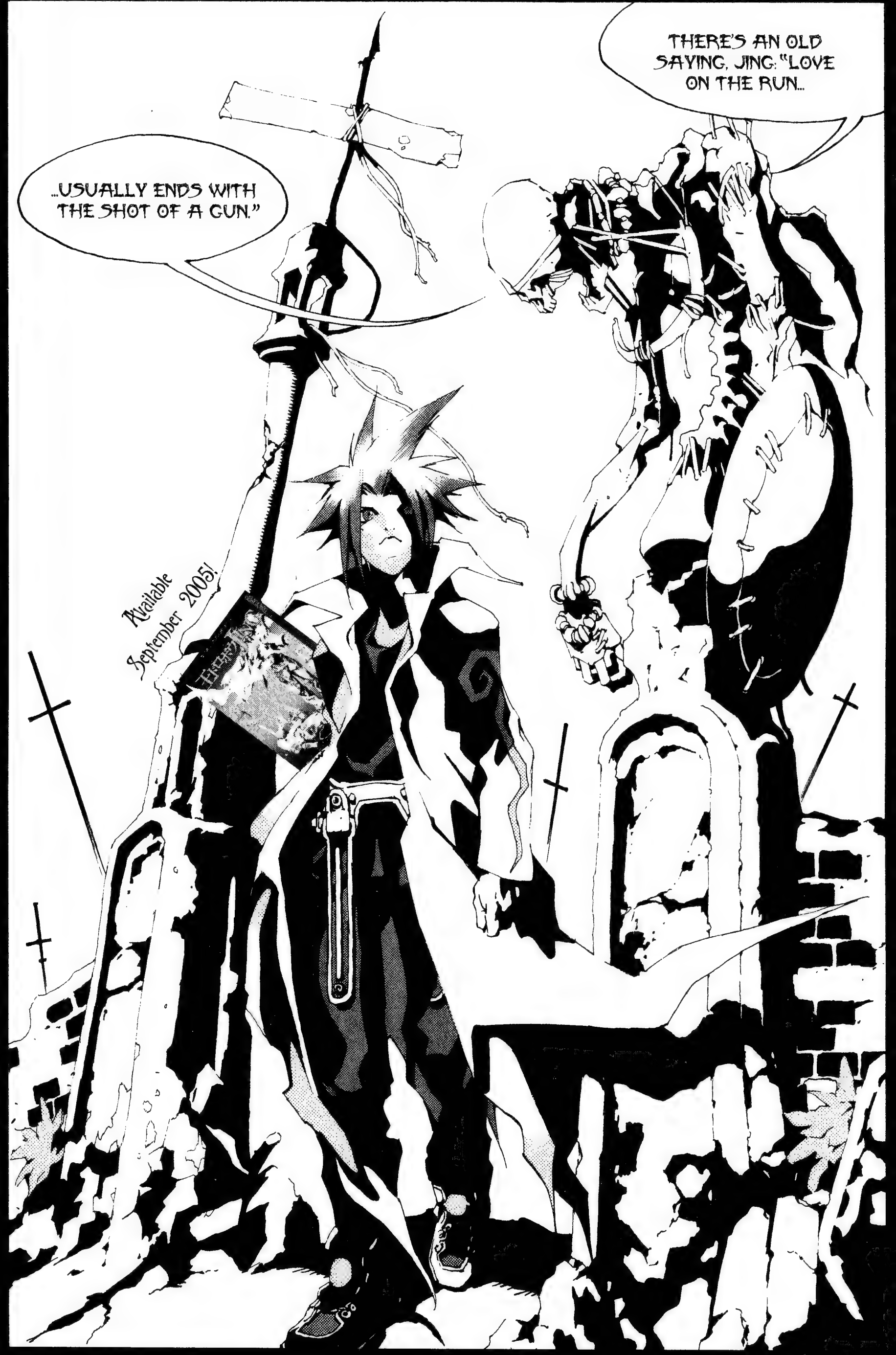
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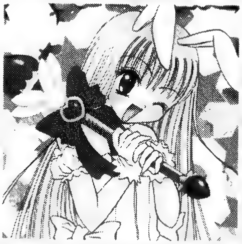

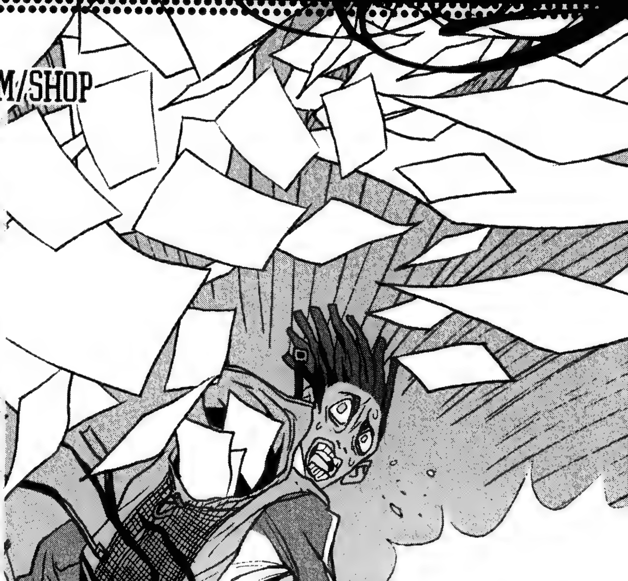

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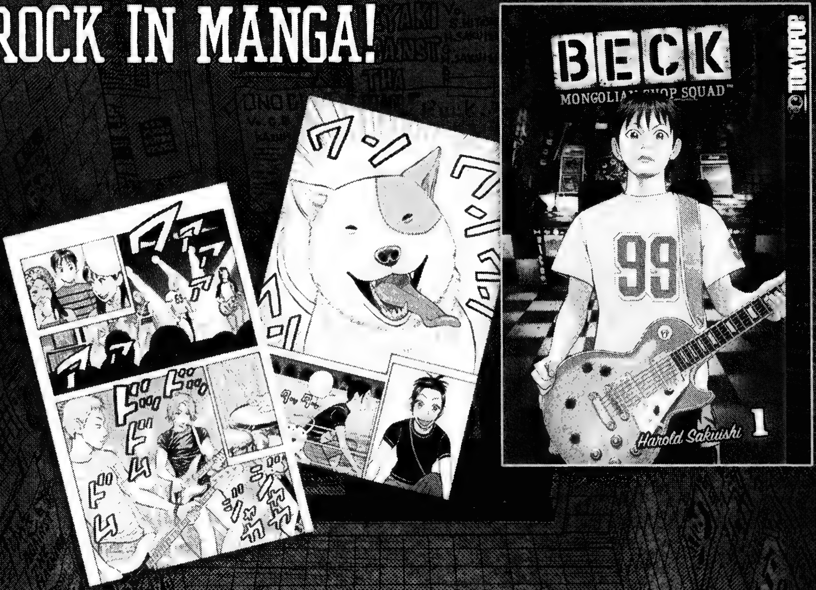

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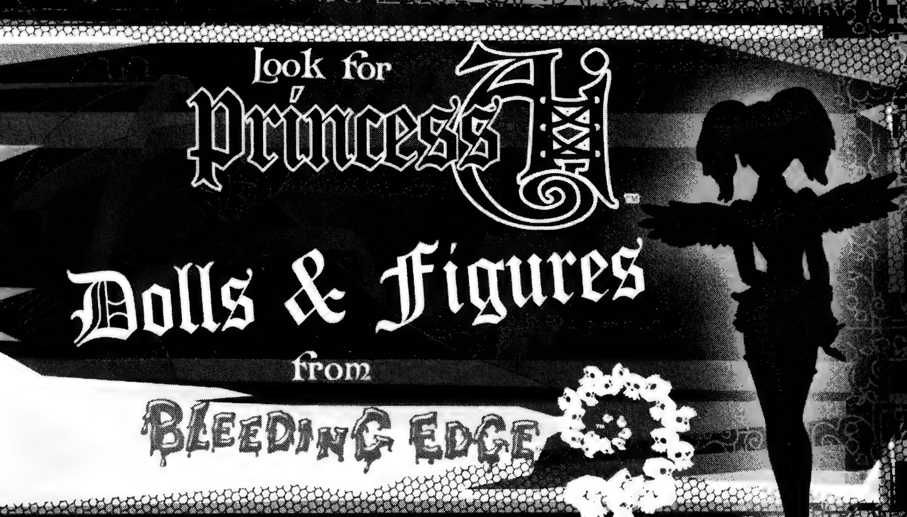
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MAHOROMATIC: AUTOMATIC MAIDEN

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~Rob Tokar, Sr. Editor

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BY KASANE KATSUMOTO

HANDS OFF!

Cute boys with ESP who share a special bond... If you think this is familiar (e.g. *Legal Drug*), well, you're wrong. *Hands Off!* totally stands alone as a unique and thoroughly enjoyable series. Kotarou and Tatsuki's (platonic!) relationship is complex, fascinating and heart-wrenching. Throw in Yuuto, the playboy who can read auras, and you've got a fantastic setup for drama and comedy, with incredible themes of friendship running throughout. Don't be put off by Kotarou's danger-magnet status, either. The episodic stuff gradually changes, and the full arc of the characters' development is well worth waiting for.

~Lillian Diaz-Przybyl, Jr. Editor

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Blade of Heaven

BY YONG-SU HWANG
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BLADE OF HEAVEN

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~Bryce P. Coleman, Editor

BY MIWA UEDA

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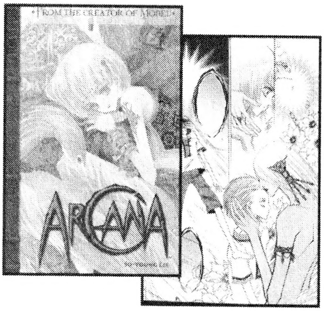

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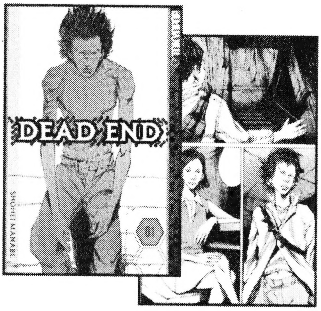

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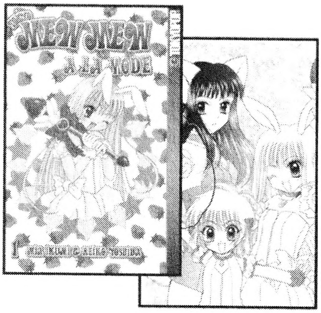

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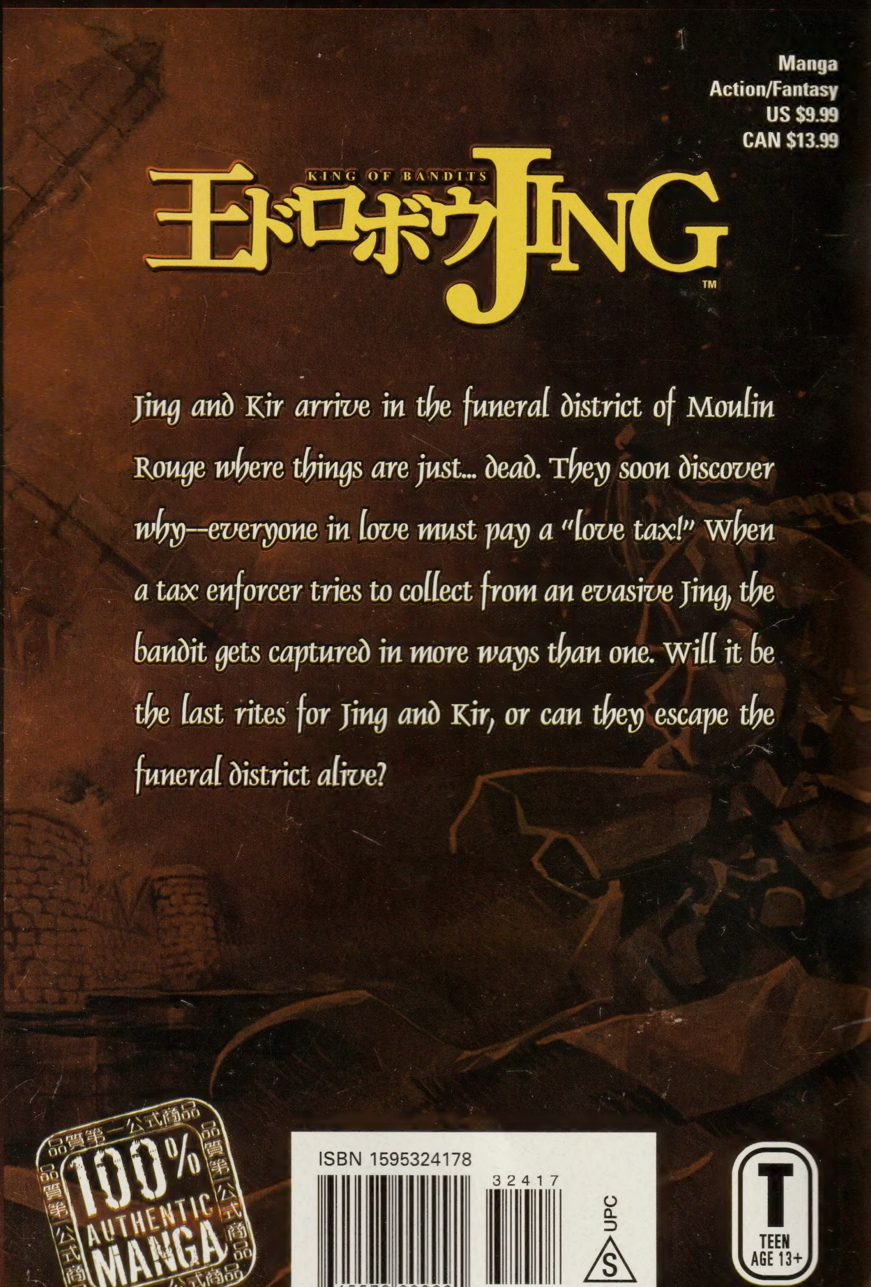

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